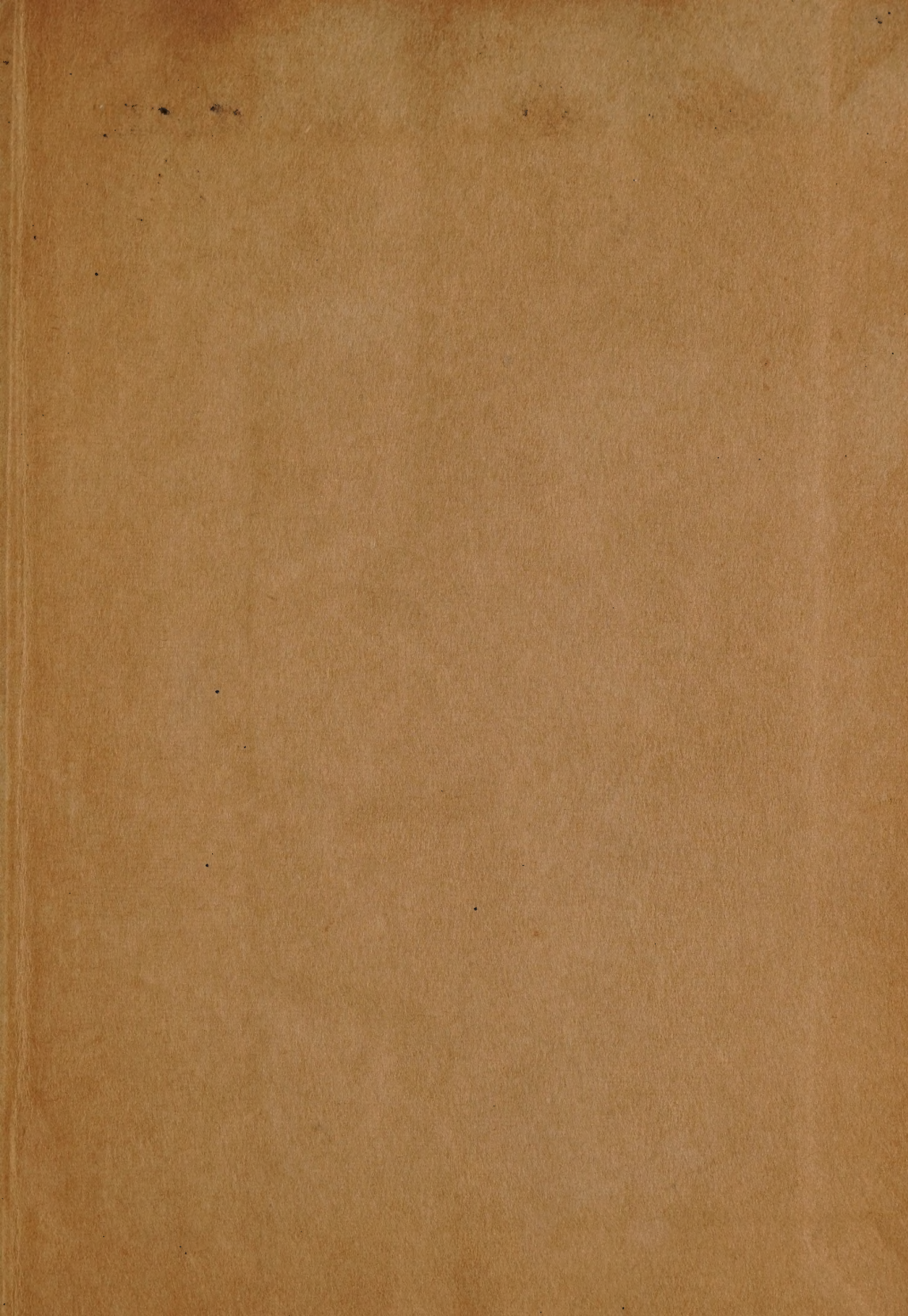


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BOARD OF 1862 AND 1863.

Pursuant to the provisions of the city charter, the Common Council met at the Common Council Chamber, in the City Hall, on Monday, May 4, 1863.

At 8 o'clock p.m., the board was called to order by the city clerk.

The roll was called and the following named Aldermen answered to their names and took their seats.

First ward—William Clarke, Thomas B. Decker, Thomas Earle.

Second ward—Isaac Edge, Thomas Gafney, John McBride.

Third ward—Horatio N. Ege, Charles M. Hankins.

Fourth ward—Washington I. Hough, William H. Natew, John W. Pangborn.

Fifth ward—Henry F. Cox, Azariah Drake, Andrew A. Gaddis.

Sixth ward—William L. Broking, Patrick Duff, Cornelius Kane.

Alderman Rufus K. Terry of the Third ward was absent.

On motion of Alderman McBride, Alderman Earle was appointed president pro tempore.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board proceeded to the election of a president for the ensuing year.

Alderman Thomas B. Decker was nominated by Alderman Hankins.

Alderman John W. Pangborn was nominated by Alderman Broking.

Four ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

Aldermen Hankins and Clarke were appointed and acted as tellers.

First balloting—

Thomas B. Decker received eight votes

John W. Pangborn received four votes.

Five blanks were cast

Second balloting—

Thomas B. Decker received eight votes,

John W. Pangborn received five votes

Four blanks were cast

Third balloting—

Thomas B. Decker received nine votes

John W. Pangborn received six votes.

Andrew A. Gaddis received one vote.

One blank was cast

Fourth balloting.

Thomas B. Decker received ten votes.

John W. Pangborn received four votes.

Thomas Earle received one vote.

Two blanks were cast.

Whereupon Thomas B. Decker having received the requisite number of votes was declared elected President of the Common Council.

Aldermen Earle and Ege were appointed a committee to conduct the President to the chair.

The committee performed their duty and the President briefly addressed the Board in acknowledgement of the honor conferred upon him.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Clerk.

George W. Cassidy was nominated by Alderman Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Gafney it was

Resolved, That the election be *viva voce*.

Whereupon George W. Cassidy was *viva voce* unanimously appointed City Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Marshal.

Nathaniel Ellis was nominated by Alderman Earle.

On motion of Alderman Gafney it was

Resolved, That the election be *viva voce*.

Whereupon Nathaniel Ellis was *viva voce* unanimously appointed City Marshal.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke and adopted.

Resolved, That a committee, to consist of one alderman from each ward, be appointed to wait upon His Honor the Mayor and inform him of the organization of the Board and of its readiness to receive any communication he may desire to make to the Common Council.

Aldermen Clarke, Gafney, Hankins, Nafew, Gaddis and Duff were appointed the committee.

On motion of Alderman Clarke the Board took a recess of ten minutes to await the return of the committee appointed to wait upon His Honor the Mayor.

On the reassembling of the Board the committee appointed to wait upon His Honor the Mayor verbally reported, through Alderman Clarke, its chairman, that they had done so, and the Mayor desired them to present to the board his congratulations on their early organization, and to state that he will communicate to the common council by message at an early day.

The report was received and the committee discharged.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Clarke and adopted.

Resolved, That the hour of meeting of this board until its further order shall be 7½ o'clock, p. m.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the rules and orders of the late Board be adopted for the government of the present Board, and that a Special Committee of three be appointed to draft new rules and orders for the government of this Common Council.

Aldermen McBride, Hankins and Clarke were appointed the Committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Broking.

Resolved, That the seats of the members of the new Board shall run numerically commencing with the members of the First Ward on the right of the President and ending with the members of the Sixth Ward on the left side of the President.

The resolution was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Nafew.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Treasurer.

Peter D. Vroom was nominated by Alderman Duff.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended, and Peter D. Vroom was *viva voce* unanimously appointed City Treasurer.

On motion of Alderman Earle the board proceeded to the appointment of a Corporation Attorney.

Richard D. McClelland was nominated by Alderman Gafney, and on his motion the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended and Richard D. McClelland was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Corporation Attorney.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the board proceeded to the appointment of Comptroller.

J. V. Hardenbergh was nominated by Alderman Nafew, and on his motion the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended and Jacques V. Hardenbergh was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Comptroller.

On motion of Aldermen Gafney the board proceeded to the appointment of Overseer of the Poor.

William Whitley was nominated by Alderman Earle, and on his motion the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended and William Whitley was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Overseer of the Poor.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Clarke and adopted:

Whereas, The official bond of John Fallon in the sum of one thousand dollars with Charles McCann and Patrick Curley as sureties, was accidentally overlooked in reporting finally by the late Committee on Finance upon all papers in their

possession at the last regular meeting of the Common Council.

And whereas, The late Committee on Finance did endorse thereon a favorable opinion, and handed the same to the city clerk this evening, and it also bearing the endorsement of the city attorney as having been drawn in legal form,

Therefore resolved, That the said bond be taken up for consideration the recommendation of the committee adopted and the bond ordered filed in the office of the city comptroller.

On motion of Alderman Gafney, the board proceeded to the appointment of Collector of Revenue.

John B. Haight was nominated by Ald. Gafney, and on his motion the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended, and John B. Haight was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Collector of Revenue.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the board proceeded to the appointment of Street Commissioner.

John D. Nolan was nominated by Alderman McBride, and on his motion the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended and John D. Nolan was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Street Commissioner.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the board proceeded to the appointment of Corporation Printer.

John H. Lyon was nominated by Alderman Cox. John C. Clarke was nominated by Alderman

Drake.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows.

Alderman Earle and Hankins were appointed and acted as tellers.

John H. Lyon received ten votes.

John C. Clarke received five votes

William Davison received one vote.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon John H. Lyon having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Corporation Printer.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the board proceeded to the appointment of City Physician for the First Health District.

Edgar Olcott, Jr., was nominated by Alderman Gafney.

Waters Burrows was nominated by Alderman McBride.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows.

Aldermen Earle and Ege were appointed and acted as tellers,

Edgar Olcott, Jr., received twelve votes.

Waters Burrows received five votes.

Whereupon Edgar Olcott, Jr., having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed City Physician for the First Health District.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the Board proceeded to the appointment of City Physician for the Second Health District.

Theodore F. Morris was nominated by Alderman Broking.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent, suspended, and Theodore F. Morris was *viva voce* unanimously appointed City Physician for the Second Health District.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the Board proceeded to the appointment of Weigher and Measurer.

Joseph McManus was nominated by Alderman McBride, and on motion of Alderman Gafney the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent, suspended, and Joseph McManus was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Weigher and Measure.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the Board proceeded to the appointment of Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Peter P. Post was nominated by Alderman Nafew.

William H. Smith was nominated by Alderman Pangborn.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :
Aldermen Edge and Drake were appointed tellers.

Peter P. Post received ten votes.

William H. Smith received five votes.

Wiseman received two votes.

Whereupon Peter P. Post having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures.

On motion of Alderman McBride the board proceeded to the appointment of City Surveyors.

On motion of Alderman Earle the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended, and Levi Post, Isaac B. Culver, Delos E. Culver and Charles D. Ward were viva voce unanimously appointed City Surveyors.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board proceeded to the appointment of Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers.

On motion of Alderman Earle the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended, and on his motion Jos. H. Rommel was viva voce unanimously appointed Superintendent of Ferries, Wharves and Piers.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the board proceeded to the appointment of two Inspectors and Measurers of Lumber.

Peter Gordon was nominated by Alderman Earle Joseph M. Rommel was nominated by Alderman Gafney.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended, and Peter Gordon and Joseph H. Rommel were viva voce unanimously appointed Inspectors and Measurers of Lumber.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the board proceeded to the appointment of a Gauger and Inspector of Domestic Liquids.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

First balloting—

Aldermen McBride and Gaddis were appointed and acted as tellers

Michael McKone received seven votes.

Luke O'Brien received three votes.

Joseph Van Doren received seven votes.

Second balloting.

Aldermen Gafney and Cox were appointed tellers.

Michael McKone received eleven votes.

Joseph Van Doren received one vote.

Luke O'Brien received five votes.

Whereupon Michael McKone having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a Gauger and Inspector of Domestic Liquids.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the Board proceeded to the appointment of another Gauger and Inspector of Domestic Liquids.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows :
Alderman Broking and Nafew were appointed tellers.

Luke O'Brien received five votes.

Joseph Van Doren received eleven votes.

Bryan received one vote.

Whereupon Joseph Van Doren having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a Gauger and Inspector of Domestic Liquids.

On motion of Alderman McBride the Board proceeded to the appointment of an additional Gauger and Inspector of Domestic Liquids.

Two ballotings were had as follows, no choice being effected :

First balloting.

Aldermen Kane and Pangborn acted as tellers.

Luke O'Brien received eight votes.

Frank Gilmore received five votes.

Four blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

Aldermen Hough and Duff acted as tellers.

Luke O'Brien received seven votes.

Frank Gilmore received seven votes.

Three blanks were cast.

On motion of Alderman Earle further balloting was postponed.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted.

Resolved, That John Coar be authorized to go on, and clean the streets of Jersey City by days work until such time as a contract can be entered into to do the work.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, May 5, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Decker, and Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Kane and Terry.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman McBride and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on "Legislative enactments" be, and the same is hereby abolished. And further be it resolved that the Special Committee on Printing and Stationery be made one of the standing committees of this Board.

Alderman Hough presented a renewal of policy of insurance by the State Insurance Company on the alms house, and on his motion it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the State Insurance Company for fifty-five dollars for renewal, No. 3,691, of policy of insurance, No. 2,107, on the alms house buildings.

(Alderman Edge obtained leave and retired.)

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

The following described official bonds were presented, received and laid upon the table:

Of James O'Rourke as Constable with Thomas Brophy and Michael O'Rourke as sureties.

Of Patrick Warren as Constable, with Patrick Reilly and C. V. Traphagen as sureties.

Of Walter Van Derzee as Constable, with James R. Thompson and George Smith as sureties.

Of Dennis Farrell as Constable, with John Kennedy and James Lynch as sureties.

The official bond of Noah D. Taylor as Water Commissioner, with Robert McLaughlin and Daniel McLeod as sureties, with the endorsement thereon of the Corporation Attorney that the same is drawn in legal form, was presented, received and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the official bond of Noah D. Taylor as Water Commissioner, with Robert McLaughlin and Daniel McLeod as sureties, be approved and filed in the Comptrollers office.

Petition of James R. Smith, setting forth that a horse belonging to him broke his leg by stepping into a sewer hole in Grand street, between Warren and Van Vorst streets, and asking to be paid for the value of his horse and to be compensated for loss of time; &c., was presented, received and on motion of Alderman Earle ordered to be referred to a special committee of three.

Aldermen Earle, Gaddis and McBride were appointed the committee.

A petition of John Pangham to be appointed to the position of removing dead animals, &c., from the streets of the city, at a compensation of three hundred dollars, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

OFFICERS COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication from His Honor the Mayor was presented, received, ordered filed and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 5, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

On this day goes into effect without my signature an ordinance entitled a supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails on certain streets of Jersey City, approved December 20, 1859, passed by your honorable body on the 24th day of April, 1863. The great importance of such an ordinance, and the effects which may follow from its enactment demands from me the reasons why I have refrained from exercising the right granted by the charter of either approving or disapproving

the same, which I herein send for such deliberation as you may choose to bestow upon them.

The act of the Legislature in which are defined the power of the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company over the subject are embraced in the following words: "To lay out and construct a railroad from some point on the Killvonkull at, or near Bergen Point, to Newark turnpike road leading from Jersey City to Newark, with the privilege of constructing one or more branches extending to the several ferries in the county of Hudson, south of the City of Hoboken."

I have had, and still have, grave doubts whether this language was not intended merely as a grant of power to construct railroad tracks as branches from the main road extending with reasonable directness from the terminus of the road at the Newark turnpike to each of the ferries, within the county of Hudson south of Hoboken.

The manifest intention of the ordinance is to connect the Pavonia ferry with the Jersey City ferry, in other words to make branches from branches of the same road—was this the intention of the act? If it was, the Legislature have been exceedingly unfortunate in the use of language to convey their meaning, and the consequence is that the company have the power with the permission of your honorable body to gridiron Jersey City with railroad tracks under a blind act which seems to have been intended to give facilities to the population residing in the westerly part of the county in reaching Jersey City and New York.

Your honorable body do not possess the power to license any company to lay tracks in the streets within the limits of the city under any power other than the act in question, and the act relative to the Hoboken company, and it seems to me, that had the power sought to be attained by the ordinance been intended by the Legislature to be granted it would have been conveyed in unambiguous and unequivocal language.

So far as I myself am concerned I do not desire that the passage of the ordinance may be considered as a precedent for future action, but choose to give your honorable body an opportunity to consider well the consequences of the act which you have passed before the ordinance shall go into the printer's hands preliminary to its going into effect as a law, which will remain evidence of the construction which you have been pleased to give the act incorporating the company.

I have myself advised with most respectable counsel on both sides of this vexed question, but fear that their judgment may have been biased by the positions of their respective clients, and therefore have thought it prudent to permit the doubt to weigh in favor of the legislative power of your Hon. body by inaction, at the same time reserving to myself the privilege of acting hereafter independently in case another effort should be made to run tracks through the streets of our city, under the powers in the act contained, particularly if it is made manifest that the citizens of our city, before whose doors the same will be laid, object to the passage of the enactment, which I am led to believe is not the case in the present instance.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The report of the Chief of Police of the number of oil lamps not lit or burning during the month of April, 1863, was presented, received, and laid upon the table.

The report of the City Treasurer, for the month of April, 1863, showing a balance in the Treasury May 1, 1863, of \$10,957 35, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The report of the Recorder, for the quarter ending April 30, 1863, was presented, received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with the duty imposed on me by the second section of the ordinance, prescribing the duties of the Recorder, passed February 3d, 1863, I most respectfully submit unto your honorable body the following report of the number of persons arrested by the police, and the fines and penalties imposed by me during the quarter ending the 30th day of April, 1863.

There were arrested by the police of Jersey City two hundred and ninety-eight persons during said quarter, on the following charges, viz:

Drunkennes, vagrancy and disorderly conduct,	187
Assault and battery	26
Fighting in the street	10
Peit arceny	31
Grand larceny	9
Picking pockets	1
Threatening and abusive language	9
Insanity	2
Malicious mischief	2
Passing counterfeit money (attempt)	4
Passing broken bank bill	1
Fugitive from justice	1
Gambling	2
Escaped from County Jail	1
Exposing their persons in the street	2
Violating city ordinances	10

Number persons arrested 298

The two hundred and ninety eight persons were disposed of as follows, viz:

159 were discharged.

38	"	committed to the county jail and work-house.	
18	"	" " " " for trial	
22	"	" " " " city prison two days each.	
2	"	" " " " one day each.	
2	"	sent to the alms house.	
21	"	held to bail	
2	"	returned to county jail	
1	"	delivered to Justice Tilden	
1	"	do to the authorities of Newark	
1	"	fined \$1 00 each	\$1 00
24	"	" 2 00 "	48 00
1	"	" 4 00 "	4 00
7	"	" 20 00 "	140 00

299 Amount of fines &c. \$193 00

1 less fined and committed to county jail.

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The amount of fines received by me during the said quarter is one hundred and ninety-three dollars, which amount has been paid to the City Treasurer as per his receipt filed in my office. All of which is most respectfully submitted,

CORNELIUS C. MARTINDALE,

Recorder, Jersey City.

The report of the Chief of Police of the number of gas lamps not burning during the quarter ending April 30, 1863, was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education:

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday evening, May, 4, 1863, at their rooms, it was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been taken, that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims:

John Savery Sons for castings	\$6 00
John Anness repairs to furnace No. 3, and sundries	56 26
Cronham & Wetterson painting, &c., School No. 1	19 01
Cronham & Wetterson painting, &c.,	

School No. 2 22 00
Do do do School No. 3 14 13
\$85 14

Blakeman & Mason books, &c. school 2, 177 12
P. D. Vroom, Clerk of Board of Education.

The requisition was received, and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition presented this evening from the Board of Education and for the amounts respectively named.

The annual reports of the Overseer of the Poor and Superintendent of the Alms House were presented, received and laid upon the table.

The Corporation Attorney to whom was referred April 23, 1863, the petition of Homer Ramsdell and others for the improvement of North Second street from Provost to Meadow streets, &c., reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition laid upon the table.

The Corporation Attorney to whom was referred April 28, 1863, the petition of James M. Quinlan and others, for improvement of Coles street between South Second and North Second street, &c., reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition laid upon the table.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor the Mayor, April 29, 1863, of the ordinance passed April 28, 1863, entitled "An ordinance to repeal so much of the ordinance passed July 28, 1843, entitled of the duties of clerk as requires the payment of a fee for certificates of redemption."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report setting forth that the ordinance passed April 24, 1863, entitled "A supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails on certain streets of Jersey City," approved December 20, 1859, was presented to His Honor the mayor, April 25, 1863, and has gone into effect without his action.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented the following described papers returned to him by Alderman Gaddis, chairman of the committee on laws and ordinances of the late common council.

Petitions of Heinrich, Sommer & Co., junction of Washington and south 7th streets; J. Gilbert Barrows, corner of Washington and Morgan streets; John Rogers, corner of Warren and south 8th streets; J. Moore, on south 8th street near the Bergen rocks; L. Phelon & Co., on south 8th street near the Bergen rocks, all for permission to continue their business as manufacturers of Kerosene and Petroleum oils at their present locations.

Communication from the Jersey City Locomotive Works and other manufacturers in the Second ward for the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the manufacture or storage of Kerosine oils in their vicinity.

Petition of Daniel Crane for redress of water rights.

Communication from the Street Commissioner in answer to a resolution passed March 24, 1863, instructing him to report in reference to the manufacture of Kerosene oil, &c.

The papers were received and laid upon the table.

The City Clerk presented the following described papers returned to him by Alderman McBride, chairman of the committee on streets of the late common council.

Petition of H. M. Traphagen and others for improvement of North Second street from Paterson street to Provost street.

Petition of the Long Dock Company and other

to have the roadway of north Second street when opened from Paterson street to Provost street made to the width of forty feet, &c.

The papers were received and laid upon the table.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Earle the following entitled ordinance presented April 23, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance in relation to butchers and the inspection of meats, fish fruit, and vegetables."

The ordinance was considered and again laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Pangborn.

(Alderman Broking obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the following entitled ordinance presented April 28, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to regulate the sale of fish, fruit, vegetables and other articles of merchandize from wagons and other vehicles in Jersey City."

The ordinance was considered amended and as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Decker and Alderman Cox.

Nays—Aldermen Clarke, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Edge, and Terry.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Gaddis, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance, approved June 25, 1861, providing for the appointment of City Physicians and defining their duties."

On motion of Alderman Gafney the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDX, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Friday, May 8, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Decker and Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Kane, Pangborn, and Terry.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk, and is as follows:

HON. JOHN B. ROMAR, Mayor:

We request you to call a special meeting of the common council on Friday evening, May 8, 1863, for the purpose of affording the president an opportunity to report the committees, and referring to such committees all matters now laying on the table, and the consideration of such other matters as the interests of the city may require.

Jersey City, May 7, 1863.

HENRY F. COX,
THOMAS EARLE,
J. McBRIDE.

MAYORS OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 7, 1863. }

Geo. W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk.

Dear Sir—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the Common Council to be held at the Council Chamber on Friday evening, May 8th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose named in the above request.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The President announced the following as the Standing Committees of the Board:

Alms—Aldermen Hankins, Nafew and McBride.

Assessments—Aldermen Pangborn, Gaddis and Hankins.

Ferries and Wharves—Aldermen Broking, Terry and Drake.

Finance—Aldermen Cox, Clarke and Earle.

Fire and Water—Aldermen, Nafew, Edge and Hough.

Lamps—Aldermen Terry, McBride and Duff.

Laws and Ordinances—Aldermen Gaddis, Ege and Broking.

Licenses—Aldermen Edge, Gafney and Kane.

Printing and Stationery—Aldermen Hough, Clarke and Cox.

Police—Aldermen Clarke, Hankins and Gafney.

Public Grounds and Buildings—Aldermen Gafney, Drake and Edge.

Public Health—Aldermen Drake, Duff and Kane.

Railroads—Aldermen Ege, Cox and Gaddis.

Salaries, Offices and Elections—Aldermen Kane, Broking and Ege.

Schools—Aldermen Earle, Pangborn and Nafew.

Sewers—Aldermen Duff, Earle and Terry.

Streets—Aldermen McBride, Hough and Pangborn.

PRESNTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of H. M. Traphagan, for a declaration of sale of parts of lots 6, 7 and 8 South 5th street, block 152 sold to Charles H. Voorhies, June 14, 1860, for taxes of 1859, the tax receipt of which was assigned by him to Mr. Traphagen.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Mrs. Nancy Smith to have issued to her declaration of sale of property bought by her at sale made February 21, 1861, for water rents of 1859, in place of the tax receipts now held by her, the time for redemption having expired.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petitions of Robert Gamble, John Conklin, Thos Dolan and Louis Mohl, for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The corporation attorney to whom was referred April 28, 1863, the petition of T. Schnitzer and others for improvement of South Seventh street from Newark avenue to Brunswick street, &c., reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on streets.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Drayton & Durant, \$117 62; Matthew Erwin, \$58 52; S. M. Hoffman, \$9; and Mrs. Christopher Lynch, \$6.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of S. M. Hoffman, \$153 16; and Peter Lynch \$11.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Huger Keenan, \$2 50; and J. F. Richardson, \$26 75.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$34 64; S. M. Hoffman, \$102; and Police Department, \$1671 37.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of George C. Doyle, \$3

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Post & Carnick, \$51 15.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of William Davison, \$39 50; George C. Doyle, \$15 and \$5; and W. J. Hadden, \$55.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of William Conner, \$9; Michael Killeen, \$12; Patrick Maden, \$7 50; and John Ryan, \$7 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Alms of the last board, by which a claim of S. A. French was reported as not being correct, be now rescinded.

The claim was referred to the Committee on Alms.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, it was

Resolved, That all papers on the table relative to kerosene oil be taken up, and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That all papers presented to the Common Counsel during the past and present municipal years and laid upon the table, be taken up and referred to their appropriate committees.

On motion of Alderman Ege, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber Tuesday, May 12, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—All the members of the board.

The minutes of the organization meeting of May 4, 1863, of the regular meeting of May 5, 1863, and of the special meeting of May 8, 1863, were read and approved.

By consent of the board Aldermen Earle and Gaddis exchanged with each other their positions on the committees on assessments and finance.

PRESENTATION OF OFFICIAL BONDS.

The following described official bonds were presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Of John B. Haight as collector of revenue, with Ephraim Pray and John Van Vorst as sureties.

Of Richard D. McClelland as corporation attorney, with David Bedford and Jacob Weart as sureties.

Of William Whitley as overseer of the poor, with R. B. Kashow and S. M. Hoffman as sureties.

Of George W. Cassidy as city clerk, with Jacob R. Wortendyke and Alexander H. Wallis as sureties.

Of Joseph Van Doren as gauger and inspector of Domestic liquids, with James A. Williamson and William Thomas Poole as sureties.

Of Michael McKone as gauger and inspector of domestic liquids with Patrick Reilly and John Murphy as sureties.

Of Peter P. Post as inspector and sealer of weights and measures with Jacob R. Wortendyke and James Fitzgerald as sureties.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Samuel C. Weeks to have cancelled the sale of a lot belonging to him erroneously assessed and sold October 13, 1858, for Assessment for regulating Coles street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Keuben McPherson to have cancelled the sale of a lot belonging to him made October 13, 1853, for assessment for regulating Coles street, &c, the lot being assessed erroneously, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Diligent Hose Co. No. 3, for the erection of a new house for the use of said company, to be located near the city hall, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Charles Lyons for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 157 Bay street in the 4th ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John Glenn for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of the members of the Police Department for an increase of their salary.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of James L. Ogden and others, tax payers and residents of Jersey City, asking for an increase of the salaries of the officers and members of the Police Department.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of James Lynch and others for the abatement of nuisances consisting of Kerosene Oil manufactories at the westerly end of South 8th street and at the foot of Bergen Hill, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Michael Mullone for the construction of a main sewer in Mercer street from a point distant about 100 feet easterly from the easterly line of Washington street to tide water at the Hudson River, with lateral sewers in Greene and Hudson streets, &c.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the

Board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of J. L. Blackmore, \$10 74; William Coleman, \$14 88; William Conner, \$9 00; William Davison, \$39 50; George C. Doyle, \$15 00, and \$5 00; Drayton & Durant, \$117 62; John Egan, \$15 00; Nathaniel Ellis, \$34 41; Matthew Erwin, \$58 52; S. A. French, \$21 74; W. J. Hadden, \$55 00; S. M. Hoffman, \$153 16, \$102 00 and \$9 00; Michael Killeen, \$12 00; Peter Lynch, \$11 00; Mrs. Christopher Lynch, \$6 00; Patrick Maden \$7 50; Police Department, \$1671 37; John Ryan, \$7 50; A. M. C. Smith, 405 25; and Woolsey & Terry, \$1 25.

A claim of F. P. Budden, \$25 00 for services as Clerk to the Board of Fire Commissioners was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections; the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the report of the Committee on the same, and said claim was reported and ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The annual message of his honor the mayor was presented, received and read.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That the annual message of his honor the mayor be published in the corporation paper, and three hundred copies printed in pamphlet form under the direction of the city clerk.

Alderman Ege moved to amend the resolution so as to read as follows.

Resolved, That the committee on printing and stationery be instructed to advertise for proposals to print in pamphlet form three hundred copies of the mayor's message and accompanying reports.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hough, Ege, and Terry.

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hawkins, Kane, Paugborn, and Terry.

Nays—President Decker; Aldermen Cox, Edge, Ganey, Hough, McBride and Nafew.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis it was

Resolved, That the annual message of his Honor the Mayor be printed in the minutes, and the subjects therein embraced be referred to their appropriate committees.

Said message being as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 12th, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

Called again to fill the responsible position of Executive of our City Government by the almost unanimous choice of my fellow citizens, I enter upon the discharge of the duties incumbent upon me with gratitude for the compliment conveyed, but a diffident distrust of my own abilities to fulfill the expectations which naturally flow from such a magnanimous act of consideration.

The reward of a public officer next to his own approving conscience consists in the satisfaction he may have given to his constituents in the performance of the duties devolving upon him, and when such manifestation of confidence is exhibited, cold indeed must be the heart which could remain insensible to a just discernment of the magnitude of the trust imposed upon him.

Many of the members of the Board whom I have the honor to address, can respond with the same heartfelt emotions to this sentiment, and I am ready to believe, will with me enter upon the continuance of their duties with the determined zeal and unswerving rectitude which can alone compensate their constituents for such acts of universal commendation.

The year last past of our existence as a City Government has been so fruitful of experience in the legislation necessary to inculcate a knowledge of the wants of its citizens, that I do not deem it necessary to call the attention of the gentlemen, nearly all of whom have had the honor of holding their present positions during that period, at any length to the measures, which it would be proper to take, in order to preserve unimpaired the prosperity which has heretofore attended us. I will, therefore, briefly proceed to suggest a few of the more important matters to which I think your attention should be called:

FINANCES.

The financial department of our city presents no very material change since my last communication relative thereto, with the exception of the increase of indebtedness consequent from appropriations made for the support of the General Government in the payment of bounties to volunteers; which action on the part of your predecessors, I am gratified to learn met the approval of a large majority of the tax payers interested therein.

The amount of bonds outstanding on the 1st May, 1863, was \$262,448.22

Consisting of	
City bonds (old form)	53,925
Coupon do 6's	63,000
do do 7's	118,000
City Stock Bonds	10,900
Improvement do	12,523.22

\$262,448.22

Included in the above are bonds outstanding for the following purposes, and which may be considered as not constituting a part of the permanent city debt, viz:

In anticipation of taxes of 1862	\$23,000
Purchase money of lots for City Hall	11,500
Erection of station house	10,900
do do City Hall	23,645

In anticipation of collection of assessments 12,523.22

For the purpose of mustering and equipping three months' volunteers, to be refunded by State 20,000

For the payment of State bounty to the families of volunteers, reimbursed quarterly 7,000

\$108,568.22

The amount appropriated in the tax ordinance for the fiscal year ending May 1, 1863 \$107,798.28

Amount of interest received for redemption of property, poll tax, State school fund quota, fees, costs, fines and licenses 12,262.32

\$120,060.60

The amount expended for a corresponding period about 122,682.00

Showing the amount expended over and above receipts from all sources about \$2,637.40; and although I cannot approve the principle of allowing the expenditures to exceed the appropriations, yet I would congratulate you upon the fact, that the excess for the year just closed is much less than has been for several years.

The amount collected for city purposes to May 1 was \$87,038.23, leaving uncollected \$20,760.00. The year previous the amount collected during the same period was \$74,332.38.

For the details of expenditures, together with a general exhibit of the financial condition of our city, I would refer you to the report of the Comptroller, now being prepared.

CERTIFICATES OF VALUE.

The almost entire and sudden disappearance of specie currency induced the last board at an early day

of their administration to issue certificates of value to the amount of \$25,000. The necessity for such issue was of short duration owing to the circulation of postal currency by the government of the United States, which rendered it judicious to call in the city issue before the time for their redemption had expired.

There has accordingly been redeemed out of the \$25,000 referred to, an amount approximating, \$16,000, which have nearly all been destroyed by virtue of a resolution; leaving about \$9,000 still in circulation.

ALMS HOUSE.

The construction of a commodious county alms house for the support of which our citizens will be assessed in a proportion of about half of the expense, renders it necessary, that early measures should be taken to relieve the city of the burthen attending the maintenance of the present city institution. Averse as have been former councils of our city government to the contemplated change, and excellent as may have been, and is the management of our own, propriety and consistency alike demand that our prejudices should give way, and our people protected against a useless and extraordinary expenditure of public money. The amount required to be contributed as our quota for the maintenance of the new building will not probably exceed that now appropriated, and though it did, prudence would dictate, that both encumbrances should not be borne, and that they cannot be, without protestations of great discontent. I am informed by those intimately acquainted with the present prospects of the completion of the county buildings, that they will be prepared for the reception of paupers in the course of a few weeks, and I would therefore recommend, that the subject receive your serious consideration before the passage of the tax and other ordinances applicable thereto.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

present the same unexceptionable feature as heretofore. In my last communication of this character I referred to the propriety of an additional erection in the Fifth ward, and since that time, the importance of the subject has grown to be an actual necessity. The wants of the people in that locality imperatively demand that some more enlarged conveniences should be afforded for the education of the young; the present school house, No. 2, in the fourth ward being uncomfortably filled. I would recommend either a new erection in the fifth ward, or that a building should be leased for the purpose of temporarily forming and conducting a primary school.

STREETS.

I am pleased to observe that there is now a fair prospect of perfecting one of the greatest improvements to the beauty of the city and the convenience of its citizens which could be projected—I refer to the opening of Montgomery street. I believe that all obstacles have now been removed and that under judicious management, we may hope to have an avenue opened which will do credit to the enterprise of all concerned.

By a decision of the Court of Errors and Appeals on the Bright street case, lately delivered; I am informed, that very important principles relative to the assessments for street improvements have been settled, which must be satisfactory and gratifying to your honorable body. The case referred to was decided by the Court in the last resort of this State, which renders the decision more reliable than any heretofore given on that subject. I shall at an early day take occasion to confer with your honorable body relative to the obstructions in the streets of our city, consisting of carts, wagons and vehicles of all descriptions, which have been permitted to occupy our public thoroughfares, to the great an-

neynance of all travelers, and contrary to the ordinances in such cases provided.

SEWERS.

I am informed by the engineer of the Water Commissioners that by a recent survey, many of the old sewers, not in charge of that Board, particularly the York street sewer, imperatively demands attention; that they are more or less filled with refuse and sediment and in their present condition entirely inadequate for the purposes for which they are intended. If at all practicable I would advise your honorable body to place them under the care of the Water Commissioners, whose special duty it should be to take charge of the same.

LICENSES.

I again desire to call the serious attention of the corporate authorities to the subject of licenses, which I deem second in importance to none which can by possibility engross your attention, I regret to be obliged to state that owing to a want of unity among the members of the last Board in arranging the details of the ordinance relative to the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors, the city was for a long time deprived of a law so necessary to the comfort, happiness and welfare of its citizens. That obstacle having been removed and an ordinance ample in its provisions for the suppression of the illegal traffic gone into effect, very little attention appears to have been paid to its enforcement by the officers whose special duty it is to attend to such matters, whilst the records of the Recorder's court show that great faithfulness has been manifested by the police department in all other matters pertaining to the city government; I think that the ordinance referred to has not received the consideration which its importance demands. I am informed that for many years before I became intimately connected with the city authorities, and to my personal knowledge since that time, this irritating and obnoxious ulcer which disfigures the very being of the body politic has been suffered to increase in its proportions and its corrupting influence, with strides of astounding magnitude, whilst I would recommend that licenses should be granted to applicants worthy of the privilege, I would at the same time demand of all employees of the city government strenuous and determined efforts in protecting the recipients, as well as the moral sense of the community at large, by a faithful discharge of their duties.

There appears to exist a mawkish sensibility in carrying into effect a law intended perhaps more than any other to confer benefits on the population of our city, which to me is incomprehensible. The official character of a government employee should assuredly protect him against any malign imputation which could be attributed for pursuing the course demanded by the pledge which he has given to obey the requirements of the ordinance imposing his obligations, and he who should refuse to be governed by such sense of responsibility deserves the just penalty which should attach to the offence, namely, dismissal from office. The very men who violate this law of the city almost invariably put forward as their justification the fact now notorious, that if they paid the excise fee, their money would be wasted, as there is no protection afforded them in consequence of the indiscriminate sale of ardent spirits, and I am grieved to be obliged to admit that there is too much truthfulness in the reproach, and sincerely hope that this topic so interesting to the practical philanthropist may receive its due weight, not alone from the united and individual members of the board, but from every officer and law-abiding citizen within the limits of our city.

WHARVES AND DOCKS.

That portion of our citizens engaged in business requiring the transportation of goods by water

have been seriously incommoded during the last administration of the city government, by reason of the almost entire want of wharves, piers and docks. It has been suggested to me that the inadequate accommodation in this respect would be shortly obviated by private enterprise, and that a number of influential gentlemen were about to take measures by which so great commercial advantages would not be lost to the city, as there is danger to apprehend there may be by a continued apathy upon the subject. I am of opinion that, in case the requirements of our citizens could be fully realized by the efforts of riparian owners in this respect, and sufficient guarantees given for the continuance of such indispensable facilities, it would be preferable to an outlay of money by the corporate authorities for such purpose. An amended act of the last session of the Legislature enables your honorable body to satisfy the wants of the public in this particular, to which I would respectfully refer you, in case no immediate steps are taken by citizens to fulfil the natural expectation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The fire department exhibits no abatement of zeal and fidelity which has ever characterized the members. Much improvement has been made in the apparatus and houses of some of the companies, and I believe nearly all are now furnished with the necessary facilities for preserving the degree of efficiency to which they have arrived.

Owing to the increase of expenditures for purposes connected with the city government during the past year, a resolution of your honorable body to furnish Engine Company No. 5 with a new engine was disapproved; but should your honorable body now deem it prudent to incur such expense, I should not, as at present informed, interpose any obstacle to the purchase of the same. I am reminded in this connection of a subject concerning which I think there has been much neglect. The treasury of the city is being depleted continually by reason of the maintenance of kerosine manufactories and establishments throughout its limits. Fires from this cause are almost incessantly occurring, in the extinguishment of which the apparatus of the fire department is seriously injured. Establishments of this description are more dangerous, in my opinion than gunpowder magazines, for wherever the liquor runs the fire follows.

Many of our most prominent and influential merchants complain of these establishments as nuisances, and I would therefore recommend that at as early a day as possible the ordinance now on the table receive your favorable consideration.

The report of the retiring chief, now before you, exhibits in detail the general condition of the department to which I would refer you.

THE WATER BOARD.

The extensive improvements at Belleville during the last year, consisting of the extension and remodeling of the building and general operations reflect the highest credit on the members of this salutary department. In addition to those referred to, the new main of 36 inch pipe to be conducted across the Hackensack River, is now rapidly progressing and will probably be perfected during the coming summer. Through the varied and admirable arrangements heretofore devised by the Commissioners, and now being rapidly consummated, an almost inexhaustible supply of water may be looked forward to by the citizens of all localities, now, or hereafter to be supplied, thus removing the apprehensions deservedly felt by a large number of the population, in reference to that subject. The present quantity of water daily consumed approximates three millions of gallons, which exhibits in the strongest possible light the fact that the projected extensions were imperatively demanded.

The methodical and uniform system which should characterize all the complicated workings incident to such an institution, and which has been brought nearly to perfection in our own deserves the highest encomiums from all interested in the welfare of our city—for I doubt whether in the same space of time, so durable a monument to the enterprise of so limited a population; and to the efficiency and faithfulness of the members to whom has been entrusted the task; has been erected within the limits of this or any other state.

When we remember that the peculiar nature of the duties devolving upon the board of water commissioners renders individual as well as united attention and labor indispensable to the success of the operations in which they have been engaged, and that these services have been gratuitously performed by the gentlemen composing the board; our citizens will scarcely question the meed of praise to which they are entitled.

CONCLUSION.

The stupendous events which are daily occurring in our beloved country, excite the most intense interest throughout the world; and it is a matter of surprise that we, though geographically remote from the immediate scene of hostilities, should seem to be pursuing the even tenor of our way, scarcely agitated by the national convulsions which may shake the destinies of the earth.

The record of our State in obedience to the demands of the government for troops, may be proudly appealed to as the strongest evidence of the deep veneration which her people cherish for the Federal Constitution and the Union of which we were so proud to boast; whilst at the same time the material interests of the people of some of the component parts of that Union appear to paralyze the energy which might facilitate the restoration of law, order and peace so devoutly desired by every true patriot.

Whilst the course of the General Government in the means adopted for the suppression of the rebellion may not harmonize with the views of some accustomed to partizan warfare, or the enunciation of principles antagonistic to the like long tenets of others, may have temporarily stayed an united action as is assuredly desirable, I am nevertheless of opinion, that the grave and oft asserted reproach upon a certain class of our citizens, of being disloyal to the government, is for the most part groundless as inexcusable.

It would be irrational to suppose that among so intelligent and well educated a community as our own, great diversity of opinion should not prevail as to almost every act which any administration upon whom devolved the responsibility, should see fit to adopt. Every half grown youth, scarcely fledged with the rudiments of a common school education, criticizes the conduct of the war, with an air of self conceit amusing to look upon, whilst civilians are loud in their denunciations of strategical combinations, who perhaps have never studied the art of engineering or smelt the fragrance of other than the powder which has served to ruin their wives complexion.

I do not mean to be understood as denying to any such the right of free speech for I myself among the number must plead guilty to the weakness, but desire to say that speech making being the fashion of our people, I think it should be hardly regarded as even an index to a man's patriotism, or in fact to any thing else but a desire to be heard amidst the general clamor by which his neighbors are agitated.

There is not a man in the State of New Jersey of perfectly sane mind, and whose patriotism has not entirely dwindled into a personal love of filibuster, which he intends to abscond with to some foreign clime at the earliest practicable opportunity, but must in his serious moments see that in the

maintenance of the Federal Union, consists his own sense of security, his personal liberty, his right to property, and his hope that the children which are to succeed him, may not be abased to the degradation of the oppressed, or the more humiliating bondage of the serf. Should there be one whose infatuation has so blinded him that he cannot foresee such consequences from a disruption of these United States, he should be induced to visit some of the South American Provinces where he would receive a practical lesson, which might improve his loyalty to the only free government on the face of the earth.

We should all remember that in the words of the Apostle Paul somewhat abbreviated, "It is our duty to submit ourselves to every ordinance of the governor," and if the governor should misapprehend the duty he has sworn to perform, thanks to the theory of our government, we can exercise the right before long of supplanting him with one more congenial to our taste—though God forbid that they should be selected, who would attempt to dissolve the confederacy as formed by our fathers.

I ought I suppose apologize for such a digression from the course usually pursued in communications of this character, but the excuse lies in the appropriations heretofore made by your honorable body for purposes relative to the subject matter, and which I would not desire to see discontinued in case a further necessity should arise. You will readily perceive that the most stringent economy should be exercised in all departments of the city government, when calls for the support of our national existence may at any time be apprehended.

Very respectfully,

JOHN B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The annual report of the Chief of Police was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The annual report of John Crow, Pound Master was presented, received and laid upon the table.

The report of Joseph Van Doren, gauger and inspector of domestic liquors for the quarter ending May 1, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A statement of the Board of Canvassers of the result of the recent election in the Fire Department, was presented, received and the election of the following named parties (being those named in said statement), was approved and unanimously confirmed:

Chief Engineer—Samuel C. McLaughlin.

Assistant Engineer, First District—John Egan.

Assistant Engineer, Second District—William W. Knight.

Assistant Engineer, Third District—Thomas M. Garret.

Assistant Engineer, Fourth District—John Coyle.

Fire Commissioner—William A. Fisher.

A communication from the board of assessors asking the common council to furnish each member of the board with a map of his own ward, and to be furnished with books, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A certificate of the comptroller of the amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers, and standing to the credit of the board of water commissioners on the books of the city was presented, received and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the board of water commissioners for the sum of two thousand dollars being amount collected by the city on account of water rents, and sewers and standing to the credit of said board as appears by the certificate of the comptroller presented to the common council this evening.

A communication from the chief engineer of the fire department enclosing the return of the election of John W. Harrison by engine company No. 1, confirmed by the fire commissioners, was presented.

ed, received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on finance reported the following resolution.

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter a list of property still unredeemed sold by the corporation of Jersey City, July 19, 1861, for taxes of 1860.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred on the 8th inst. the petition of H. M. Traphagen for a declaration of sale of parts of lots 6, 7 and 8, south 5th street, in block 152, sold to C. H. Voorhis, June 11, 1860, for taxes of 1859 and assigned by him to Mr. Traphagen, presented a report thereon recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be granted in the manner usual in such cases.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The committee on finance to whom was referred on the 8th inst. the petition of Mrs. Nancy Smith to have issued to her declarations of sale of property bought by her at sale made February 21, 1861, for water rents of 1859, presented a report thereon recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be granted in the manner usual in such cases.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

Alderman Edge obtained leave and retired.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of S. C. McLaughlin, \$17 42. Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of John Geraghty, \$105 73. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William Conner, \$6 00; Michael Killeen, \$3 00; Patrick Maden \$5 00; and John Ryan, \$6 25. Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Pangborn, and unanimously adopted.

Whereas it has pleased the Almighty disposer of events to remove by sudden death Col. G. C. Van Houten of the 21st regiment New Jersey volunteers therefore,

Resolved, That we in common with the entire community deeply deplore his decease as a public calamity in which the citizens of Hudson county have one common and united interest, and while we would bow in submission to the acts of Providence, we will ever cherish his memory as one who has willingly sacrificed his life on the altar of his country.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of the deceased in this their severe afflictions, and can only commend them to the care of Him who ruleth in the armies of nations and doeth all things well.

Resolved, That we feel more keenly this affliction in that the 21st Regiment was raised almost exclusively in Hudson County, under circumstances of a peculiar nature, endearing each and every member of the regiment to us as citizens of a common country, and we hereby offer our sincere condolence to the officers and privates of said regiment in their loss of an officer whom they were wont to respect and whom they so lately followed to the bloody field of carnage and to an untimely end.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased and also to the regiment of which he was the late commander.

By Alderman Pangborn, and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That to the families of the volunteers of any regiment of New Jersey, who may have fallen in battle in defence of our country, we hereby tender our sympathies and condolence, and pledge ourselves anew to their interest and welfare, and so far as is consistent with our public duties, we will never be found wanting in administering to the wants of these our afflicted ones in their hour of trial.

By Alderman Clarke and adopted—

Resolved, That the warrant ordered drawn in favor of Sabine Josephs for ten dollars to refund to him the difference in the restaurant fee and inn and tavern license fee be cancelled, and that the action of the Common Council had March 10, 1863, ordering said warrant drawn be rescinded, the restaurant license granted to said Sabine Josephs by resolution passed December 9, 1862, having been changed to an inn and tavern license under authority of resolution passed April 23, 1863.

By Alderman Drake and adopted—

Resolved, That the Erie Railway Company be requested to place at all their crossings within the limits of the corporation the necessary guards and protections as is usual in such cases, and that the same be done under the direction of the Committee on Railroads.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted—

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Marshal N. Ellis for six dollars and fifty cents, to reimburse him for money expended by him for labor in righting the City Hall after the ladies' fair.

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted—

Resolved, That two hundred copies of the city charter with the amendments to the same passed at the last session of the Legislature be ordered printed for the use of this board under the direction of the committee on printing.

By Alderman Earle and adopted—

Resolved, That the committee on laws and ordinances be requested to report the necessary action to be taken by this board by which this city may be protected from the ravages of goats.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the Board proceeded to the appointment of a Pound Master for the district composed of the Second, Fourth and Fifth wards.

Peter Waggoner was nominated by Alderman Drake. On motion of Alderman Gaddis the rule requiring a balloting was by unanimous consent suspended and Peter Waggoner was viva voce unanimously appointed Pound Master for the District composed of the Second, Fourth and Fifth wards.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the board proceeded to the appointment of a pound-master for the district composed of the first, third and sixth wards.

John Crow was nominated by Alderman Ege.

John Smith was nominated by Alderman Kane.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Aldermen Earle and Hankins were appointed and acted as tellers.

John Crow received seven votes.

John Smith received ten votes.

Whereupon John Smith having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed pound master for the district composed of the First Third and Sixth wards.

On motion of Alderman McBride the board proceeded to the appointment of a school superintendent to fill vacancy caused by the failure of John Van Vorst to qualify.

Joseph McCoy was nominated by Alderman McBride.

Alexander H. Wallis was nominated by Alderman Earle.

David S. Manners was nominated by Alderman Broking.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

Aldermen Clarke and Ege were appointed and acted as tellers.

First balloting—

Alexander H. Wallis received five votes.

Joseph McCoy received seven votes.

David S Manners, received three votes.

Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting, The same tellers acted.

Alexander H. Wallis received three votes.

Joseph McCoy received fourteen votes.

Whereupon Joseph McCoy having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed School Superintendent.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, the Board proceeded to the appointment of members of the Board of Education:

For the First Ward—

Peter D. Vroom was nominated by Alderman Clarke, and on motion of Alderman Earle, the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent suspended, and Peter D. Vroom was viva voce unanimously appointed as a member of the Board of Education for the first ward.

For the Second Ward—

Job Male was nominated by Alderman McBride.

Robert B. Kashow was nominated by Alderman Gaffney.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

Aldermen McBride and Terry were appointed and acted as tellers.

First balloting—

Robert B. Kashow received seven votes.

Job Male received nine votes.

Vroom received one vote.

Second balloting—

The same tellers acted.

Robert B. Kashow received five votes.

Job Male received ten votes.

Vroom received one vote.

W. T. Woodruff received one vote.

Whereupon, Job Male having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the second ward.

For the Third Ward—

James Warner was nominated by Alderman Terry; Smith Mead was nominated by Alderman Hankins.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows. Aldermen Drake and Gafney were appointed and acted as tellers:

James Warner received ten votes.

Smith Mead received seven votes.

Whereupon James Warner having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Third ward.

For the Fourth Ward—

Joseph Van Doren was nominated by Alderman Nafew, and on motion of Alderman Pangborn the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent, suspended and Joseph Van Doren was viva voce unanimously appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Fourth ward.

For the Fifth Ward—

A balloting was had which resulted as follows. Aldermen Gaddis and Broking were appointed and acted as tellers:

Cornelius V. Traphagen received twelve votes.

J. D. Carscallen received five votes.

Whereupon Cornelius V. Traphagen having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Fifth ward.

For the Sixth Ward—

Hosea F. Clark was nominated by Alderman Broking, William Startup was nominated by Alderman Duff.

Two ballotings were had which resulted as follows:

Aldermen Cox and Kane were appointed and acted as tellers.

First balloting—

Hosea F. Clark received eight votes.

William Startup received nine votes.

Second balloting; the same tellers acted.

Hosea F. Clarke received seven votes.

William Startup received ten votes.

Whereupon William Startup having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a member of the Board of Education for the Sixth ward.

On motion of Alderman Cox the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Wednesday, May 13, 1863, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—President Decker and Aldermen Cox, Drake, Duff, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane and Terry.

On motion of Alderman McBride Alderman Earle was appointed President Pro tempore.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk, and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 13, 1863. }

Geo. W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk.

Dear Sir—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the Common Council to be held this evening, at the Council Chamber, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of making suitable arrangements for attending the funeral obsequies of the late Col. Van Houten, 21st Regiment, N. J. V., in accordance with an invitation of the officers of the Hudson Brigade.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following communication accompanied the call for the meeting:

HOBOKEN, N. J., May 13, 1863.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Council of Jersey City:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the officers

and members of the Hudson Brigade, held at Odd Fellows' Hall, on Tuesday evening, the 12th inst., it was unanimously

Resolved, That the Mayor and Council of Jersey City be respectfully invited to participate in the funeral obsequies of the late Col. G. Van Houten.

The services will commence at 9 o'clock a. m., on Thursday, from his late residence, Hudson City.

Most respectfully,

Your obt. servant,

H. J. HOPPER, Secretary.

On motion of Alderman Hough it was

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted, and that the Mayor and Common Council together with the City Clerk, Marshal and other city officers, will attend the funeral.

On motion of Alderman Nafew it was

Resolved, That the Marshal be directed to make the necessary arrangements for carriages, crape, &c.

On motion of Alderman McBride it was

Resolved, That the Marshal be requested to notify this evening the absent members of the Board that the Common Council will meet at the City Hall to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late Colonel Van Houten.

On motion of Alderman Ege the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 19, 1863, at 7 o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Decker and Aldermen Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Kane and Terry. The minutes of the regular meeting of the 12th inst and of the special meetings of the 13th and 16th inst. were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Official bond of Peter D Vroom as City Treasurer with J D Miller and David Gould as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Levi W Post as City Surveyor with Simeon S Post and John R Halladay as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of J V Hardenbergh as Comptroller with William C. Morris and B W Ryder as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Joseph Van Doren as Gauger and Inspector of Domestic Liquids with James A Williamson and William Thomas Poole as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Samuel C McLaughlin as Chief engineer of the Fire Department with Francis Jenkins and Benjamin F Woolsey as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Peter Morris, James Cummings and Ephraim Morris to have cancelled sale made June 7, 1858 for taxes of 1857 of block 101 belonging to them, said block being assessed in the name of the wrong owner &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of James Monaghan to have his inn and tavern license transferred from No. 246 Grand street, in the Third ward, to No. 128 Morgan street in the Second ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of George Blakey for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Communication from James S. Noyes notifying the Common Council of the expiration of agreement to rent certain sheds on Newark avenue, in the Sixth ward, as a public pound, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of George Duncan and others for a receiving basin and culvert on the south west corner of Grand and Grove streets to connect with the sewer in Grand street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Charles S. Archer and others to have the roadway of Prospect street from the north line of Pavenia avenue to the north line of North Seventh street filled to the established grade, regulated and paved with Belgian pavement and the sidewalks filled, curbed, guttered and flagged four feet wide where not already done, &c.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of D. Smith and F. Storeken for permission to construct, at their own expense a pipe sewer in Greene street commencing at a point one hundred feet south of York street, and to run to and connect with the sewer in Grand street, &c.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners be granted, the work to be done at their own expense but under the supervision of the Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Coleman, \$36 41; William Conner,

\$6 00; G. O. Doyle, \$3 00; John Geraghty, \$105 73; Michael Killeen, \$8 00; Patrick Maden, \$5 00; S. C. McLaughlin, \$47 42; Post & Carnick \$51 15; and John Ryan, \$6 25.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting cancelment of sale of lot C, Railroad Avenue in block A, erroneously returned and sold July 28, 1857, for Water Rents of 1856, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners announcing the election of Frederick P. Budden as Clerk of said Board, and requesting the confirmation of said election, was presented, received and the election unanimously approved and confirmed.

A communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners asking the Common Council to procure the necessary number of badges for the use of the Fire Department was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

A report by the City Clerk of the names of parties elected at the last election, and who have failed to qualify, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections,

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance presented favorable reports on the following described bonds heretofore referred to them, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That the official Bond of John B Haight as Collector of Revenue, executed by him as principal, and by Ephraim Pray and John Van Vorst as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Peter P Post as Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures, executed by him as principal, and by Jacob R Wortendyke and James Fitzgerald as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of William Whitley as Overseer of the poor, executed by him as principal, and by R B Kashow and S M Hoffman as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Richard D. McClelland as Corporation Attorney, executed by him as principal, and by David Bedford and Jacob Weart as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that the said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of George W. Cassidy as City Clerk, executed by him as principal and by Jacob R. Wortendyke and Alexander H. Wallis as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Michael McKone as gauger and inspector of domestic liquids, executed by him as principal, and by Patrick Reidy and John Murphy as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Walter Van Derzee as Constable, executed by him as principal and by James R. Thompson and George Smith as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The reports were received and the resolutions were adopted, a separate vote being taken on each resolution.

The Committee on Finance to whom were referred May 8, 1863, the official bonds of Dennis Farrell, Patrick Warren and James O. Rourke as Constables, and May 12, 1863, the official bond of Joseph Van Doren as gauger and inspector of domestic liquids presented a report thereon setting forth

that said bonds are not legally drawn and executed, and recommending that they be returned to the principals named therein.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 12th inst. the petition of the assessors to be furnished with maps, books, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing and Stationery be instructed to furnish each assessor with a copy of the map of his own ward, and also to have prepared as speedily as possible the necessary blank assessment books for the purposes of assessment for the present year.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 12th inst. the petition of Reuben McPherson to have cancelled the sale of his lot made October 13, 1858, for Coles street assessment, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made by the corporation of Jersey City, October 13, 1858, for assessment for regulating Coles street from South 5th street to Newark avenue, of lot 52 South 6th street in block 198 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk, for the reason that said lot was erroneously assessed as to the owners name and sold, and that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Edward Evans for one dollar and forty-seven cents with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of sale, to refund to him the purchase money of said lot, said warrant to be delivered to him on his surrendering to the City Clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 12th inst., the petition of Samuel C. Weeks to have cancelled the sale of his lot made October 13, 1858, for Coles street, assessment, &c., presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved that the sale made to the City Treasurer by the Corporation of Jersey City, October 13, 1858, for assessment for regulating Coles street from south 5th street to Newark avenue, of lot No 51 south 6th street, in block 198, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said lot was assessed erroneously as to the owner's name.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, on the 12th instant, the petition of Diligent Hose Co., No. 3. for the erection of a new house for the use of said Company, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending that the petition be referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

The report was amended so as to refer the petition to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings and as amended was adopted.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred, May 8, 1863, the petition of John Pangborn for the position of removing dead animals, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the contract with Cornelius Murphy for removing dead animals does not expire until July 1st, 1863, and recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred May 8, 1863, the petition of J. C. Schofield and others for the abatement of a nuisance in the building corner of Wayne and Henderson Sts., presented a report thereon, setting forth that the petition does not state the nature of the nuisance

complained of, and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Earle, recommitted to the committee, with instructions to take the necessary steps to abate the nuisance.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred on the 12th inst., the petition of Michael Mullone for the construction of a main sewer in Mercer street, &c., presented a report recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them May 8, 1863, of James M. Quinlan and others, for improvement of Coles street from South Second street to North Second street, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Wednesday, June 3, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p.m., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, April 28, 1863, of James M. Quinlan and others, to have Coles street filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered and flagged four feet wide on both sides, &c., from northerly line of South Second street to northerly line of north Second street bridge, stone laid at all the intersections, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them May 8, 1863, of Homer Ramsdell and others for improvement of North Second street from Provost street to Meadow street, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Wednesday, June 3, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, April 28, 1863, of Homer Ramsdell and others, to have North Second street from the east side of Provost street to the west side of Meadow street, regulated and brought to grade, curbed, guttered and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, &c., and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them May 8, 1863, of F. Schnizer and others for improvement of South Seventh street, from Brunswick street to Newark avenue presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Saturday, June 6th, 1863, at 7 1-2 o'clock, p.m., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose

of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, April 28th, 1863, of F. Schnitzer and others, to have South Seventh street from the easterly line of Brunswick street to the southerly side of Newark avenue regulated and paved with cobble stones, &c., and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them May 8, 1863, of John B. Drayton and others for the opening of a street in the direction of and so as connect the two parts of Montgomery street now open, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Monday, June 1st, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p. m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, April 28th, 1863, of John B. Drayton and others, to have Montgomery street opened from the westerly side of Warren street to the east line of Van Vorst street, and to be of the same width and to be a continuation of Montgomery street, &c., and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Alderman McBride, from the Committee on Streets presented a map of grades in Wayne street, from Colgate street to Prior street, and on his motion, the same was received and ordered to be filed in the City Clerk's Office.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Mrs M. Payton, \$7 50.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Thomas M. Garrett, \$5 00; W. D. Stivers, \$8 78, \$4 25 and \$4, 11.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. P. Townsend, \$90 00.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of F. A. Hampson, \$7 80.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$8 15; James McLaughlin, \$7, 00, and James S. Noyes, \$50, 00.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of James Flynn, \$13 86.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of William Connor, \$9, 00; Michael Killeen, \$12, 00; Patrick Madden, \$7, 50; P. McDonnell, \$3, 50, and John Ryan, \$7, 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to procure from the Secretary of State a copy of the law passed at the last session of the Legislature relative to goats found running at large.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Gaddis, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance in relation to the purchasing and sale of junk and vehicles for collecting the same."

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the following entitled ordinance, presented April 21, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance in relation to manufactories, and the keeping or storing oils, gunpowder or other articles dangerous in causing fires."

The ordinance was amended and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Decker; Aldermen Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Kane and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify the owners of property on the south east corner of Essex and Greene streets to refill the side walk and flag the same, and if neglected for the space of ten days after such notice, then the work may be done and the cost be assessed on the property benefitted, in accordance with the supplement to the charter of Jersey City passed at the last session of the Legislature.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Decker, Aldermen Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Kane and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to notify the owners of property on the south side of Morris street, between the southwest corner of Morris street to a point distant one hundred feet in a westerly direction from said corner, to have the sidewalks refilled, recurbed and regutered, and newly flagged four feet wide, and if the owner shall neglect to do the work for the space of ten days after such notice, then the work may be done and the cost be assessed on the property benefitted in accordance with the supplement to the charter of Jersey City, passed at the last session of the legislature.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Decker and Aldermen Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Kane and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be authorized to purchase for the use of the alms house a few pieces of dry goods, which are now indispensably necessary for the inmates at this season of the year.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge and adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed to procure an emblem for Alderman Duff.

Aldermen Edge and Cox were appointed the committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Marshal Ellis for one hundred and six dollars and fifty-two cents to defray the expenses incurred in attending the funerals of Captain Gamble and Lieutenant Howeth.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Marshal Ellis for twenty dollars to defray the expenses incurred in attending the funeral of Col. Van Houten.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted.

Resolve that the Comptroller be directed to report to the next meeting of the board the amount of monies expended during the last year for printing.

Alderman Ege on behalf of the Hedding Methodist Episcopal Church invited the mayor and common council to attend at said church on Sunday evening, the 24th instant, to hear a funeral sermon by the Rev. Mr. Day on Captain John Gamble and Lieutenant John Howeth

On motion of Ald. Hough the invitation was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, to enable the Board to appoint Thomas Dwyer Judge of Election for the Second Ward and to appoint Patrick Kelly as Commissioner of Appeals for the Fifth Ward, said parties having been elected to such offices at the last charter election but failed to qualify.

Whereupon Thomas Dwyer and Patrick Kelly were *viva voce* unanimously appointed to such offices.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Friday, May 22, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Decker, and Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Gaddis, and Terry.

The call of the meeting was read by the City Clerk and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 21, 1863. }

Geo. W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk.

Dear Sir—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the Common Council to be held in their Chamber, at the City Hall, on Friday evening, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of taking measures in relation to encroachments now being placed in the South Cove within the limits of the City, and on the property of the Municipal Corporation.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following communication from His Honor the Mayor was presented, received and read:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 22d, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have deemed it my duty to call you together this evening in consequence of representations made to me as executive of the City Government, that the Morris Canal and Banking Company are again engaged in sinking cribs, rock and stone in the cove south of the city, and on property belonging to the municipal authorities.

The necessity of prompt and vigorous action in the premises cannot be questioned, and hence this proceeding on my part. Immediate measures should be taken to prevent the encroachments now contemplated, as well as to guard the property of the city from similar acts which may be hereafter attempted.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR,
Mayor.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Clarke:

Whereas, the Morris Canal and Banking Company have again encroached upon the South Bay, within the limits of Jersey City, by sinking a very extensive crib filled with rock and stones in front of the city Alms House on the property of the city, and to the obstruction of the navigation in the South Cove. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committees on Ferries and Wharves and Police are hereby jointly authorized to take such proceedings and measures to remove said crib without delay and to prevent its being still further added to by the deposit of any more rock therein, as well as the sinking of any new crib in the south cove which may interfere with the rights of the city as the said joint committees shall think expedient, provided that the said committees shall not expend more than the sum of one thousand dollars to carry out the said proceedings and measures until further authorized to expend more and that the police force of the city is hereby directed to aid and assist the said committees in the execution of such measures.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Edge, Hankins and Nafew.

Yeas—President Decker, Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nay—Aldermen Kane.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Gaddis and Terry.

On motion of Alderman Edge it was

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor be requested to act as speedily as possible on the preamble and resolution adopted this evening in reference to the encroachments of the Morris Canal and Banking Company, and that the Committees on Ferries and Wharves and Police be instructed to proceed in carrying out the measures contained therein immediately on the approval of the same.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, May 26, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p. m.

Present—President Decker and Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen McBride.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 19th inst. and of the special meeting of the 22d inst. were read and approved.

PRESSENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Official bond of Patrick Warren as Constable, with Patrick Reilly and Cornelius V. Traphagen as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of James O'Rourke as Constable, with Thomas Brophy and Michael O'Rourke as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Peter Wagoner as Pound Master with John Eberhart and C. V. Traphagen as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of P. Corrigan to be paid for damage done to stoep of house No. 356 South 7th street, caused by Engine No. 1 running against the same on the evening of May 6th, 1863, while proceeding to a fire.

Referred to Committee on fire and water.

Petition of Henry A. Greene, Postmaster, for the erection of a gas lamp in front of the Post Office.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Petitions of William Allen, Paul Heller and Hugh Keegan for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John McGraw and others to have Greene street from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street filled in, paved, curbed, guttered and side walks flagged four feet wide, &c.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct, and ordered paid, viz: Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$8.15; James Flynn, \$13.86; Thomas M. Garret, \$5.00; F. A. Hampson, \$7.80; Hugh Keenan, \$2.50; James McLaughlin, \$78.00; Mrs. Payton, \$7.50; J. F. Richardson, \$26.75; W. D. Stivers, \$8.78, \$4.25 and \$4.11, and James P. Townsend, \$90.00.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz: Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$83.33, J. V. Hardenbergh, \$100.00; J. B. Haight, \$100.00; John H. Lyon, \$346.46 and \$236.75, and C. C. Martindale, \$53.33.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, May 26th, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith enclose you writ of injunction issued by the Chancellor on the 23d inst., to the Morris Canal and Banking Company against the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, and served on me at 7 o'clock on Sunday morning last.

I also enclose subpoena to appear before the Chancellor at Trenton, on the 18th of June next, to answer complaint of said canal company. I

would recommend their reference to the Corporation Attorney with such instructions as your honorable body may deem advisable.

Yours, very truly,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The communication was received, ordered filed and the writ of injunction and subpoena were referred to the Corporation Attorney.

A communication from the Corporation Attorney setting forth that the Chancellor has modified the injunction obtained by the Morris Canal and Banking Company, commanding the Common Council to desist and refrain from removing the works of said company in the south cove, &c., was presented, received and ordered filed.

The annual report of William Rowlands, pound master for the 2d, 4th and 5th wards was presented received and ordered filed.

An estimate of the sources of revenue to be derived from the Jersey City Water Works and the expenditures for the year commencing May 1st, 1863, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Corporation Attorney, to whom was referred on the 19th inst., the petition of Charles S. Archer, and others, for improvement of Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the Mayor on the 25th inst., of the ordinance passed May 19, 1863, entitled "an ordinance in relation to manufactories and the keeping or storing oils, gunpowder or other articles dangerous in causing fires."

The report was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the Comptroller giving a statement of the amount expended during the past year for printing and advertising, the same being in answer to a resolution passed May 19, 1863.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following election and resignations in said department, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners:

Election of James J. Blake by Hose Co. No. 2.

Resignations of Patrick Brophy and A. W. Van Winkle from Engine Co. No. 1; John Pringle, John B. Drayton and A. H. King, from Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1; and Samuel C. Britten from Hose Co. No. 2.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Special Committee appointed May 4, 1863, to report new rules and orders for the government of the Common Council, presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the rules of the last Common Council, as presented by the Special Committee this evening, be adopted as the rules of this Board for the present municipal year, and the Committee are hereby authorized to have fifty or one hundred copies printed in pamphlet form for the use of the Board.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred, May 5, 1863, the petition of James R. Smith for compensation for the loss of a horse caused by breaking his leg by stepping into a sewer hole in Grand street, presented a favorable report thereon,

recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant for the sum of seventy-five dollars be drawn in favor of James R. Smith in full compensation to him for the loss of a horse, in accordance with his petition dated May 5, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance presented favorable reports on the following described bonds heretofore referred to them, the following resolutions accompanying the reports :

Resolved, That the official Bond of Jacques V. Hardenbergh as Comptroller, executed by him as principal, and by William G. Morris and Barzillai W. Ryder as sureties, be accepted, and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Samuel C McLaughlin as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, executed by him as principal, and by Francis Jenkins and Benjamin F Woolsey as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Peter D Vroom as City Treasurer, executed by him as principal, and by Jonathan D Miller and David Gould as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Levi W Post as a Surveyor, executed by him as principal, and by Simeon S Post and John R Halladay as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Joseph Van Doren as gauger and inspector of domestic liquids, executed by him as principal, and by James A. Williamson and William Thomas Poole as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the comptroller's office.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred on the 19th inst., the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners requesting cancellation of sale of lot C Railroad avenue, in block A erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1856, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sale made to the City Treasurer July 28, 1857, for water rents of 1856 of Timothy Currans, lot C Railroad avenue, in block A, (Merseles map) for sixteen dollars and seventy-two cents, be cancelled of record by the city clerk in compliance with the request of the Board of Water Commissioners, contained in their communication presented May 19, 1863, setting forth that the return of said lot was made in error, the water rents thereon for 1856 having been previously paid at the office of the water commissioners.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred on the 19th inst., the petition of James Monaghan to have his inn and tavern license transferred from No. 246 Grand street in the 3d ward to No. 182 Morgan street in the 2d ward, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner for the reason that by the provisions of the ordinance no license shall entitle any person to keep an inn and tavern in any other place than that designated in his license.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named persons for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, the following resolutions accompanying the reports :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish,

fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the city, to Robert Gamble on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the city, to John Glenn on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the city, to John Conklin on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the city, to Louis Mohl on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the city, to Thomas Dolan on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the Corporate Seal of the city, to George Blakey on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred on the 12th inst., the petition of Chas Lyons for a license to keep a junk shop, presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 187 Bay street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to Charles Lyons, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Decker and Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gaifney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman McBride.

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred, May 12, 1863, the petition of the members of the Police Department for an increase of salary, and the petition of James L. Ogden and others, taxpayers and residents, in favor of said increase, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections, are hereby instructed to insert in the Salary Ordinance for the present year, a section providing as the compensation to be paid to the aids to the Chief of Police, the sum of seven hundred dollars each for the current municipal year, and to each one of the policemen the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars as his compensation for the present corporation year.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police presented a report accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of Thomas Callahan for ten dollars, being a balance due him for services as Policeman for March, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Build-

ings returned the claim referred to them on the 19th inst, of James S. Noyes, \$50.00 for rent of sheds in 6th ward for public pound

The claim was referred to the Committee on Public Health

The Committee on Public Grounds and Building to whom was referred, on the 19th inst, the petition of Hose Company No. 3, for the erection of a new house for the use of said Company, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the present accommodation for the use of the Company is inadequate, as stated in the petition, and that the prayer of the petitioners should be granted.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings who were requested by resolution heretofore passed to employ one or more competent persons to make an examination into the condition of the Station House building, &c., presented a report setting forth that they employed Job Male and Stephen Quaife to make said examination and submitting a certificate from said parties that the building has settled but not in a manner to impair its strength, and that said building in their opinion is perfectly secure.

The report was received and accepted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of John J. Hill, \$10 00.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of R. B. Earle & Co, \$18 00.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of A. G. Mason, \$10 00.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Job Male and Stephen Quaife, \$10 00, and R. B. Earle & Co., \$7 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William Connor, \$9.00; Michael Killeen, \$12.00; Patrick Madden, \$7.50; and John Ryan, \$7.50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Hough chairman of the Committee on Alms of the late board, returned a claim of P. N. Horsley, \$9.00 referred to said committee December 16, 1862.

The claim was referred to Committee on Alms. Alderman Earle obtained leave and retired.

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

By Alderman Duff and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be authorized to cause the covers of sewer holes to be repaired wherever necessary.

By Alderman Pangborn—

Whereas, The term of service of the 21st Regiment New Jersey Volunteers is about to expire and their return to home and friends soon to be realized, and whereas, they have nobly sustained the honor of our National Standard and the reputation of the New Jersey soldier on the bloody battle field; therefore,

Resolved, That we deem it eminently proper that the municipal authorities take some definite action with reference to extending to the 21st Regiment a cordial welcome home on behalf and in the name of the people of Jersey City, and that a committee of arrangements consisting of his honor the Mayor and one alderman from each ward be appointed to carry into effect the object of this resolution and that the sum of _____ dollars be and is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

On motion of Alderman Edge the blank in the resolution was filled with the words "two hundred."

The resolution as amended was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Edge, Nafew and Pangborn:

Yeas—President Decker, and Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Earle and McBride.

Aldermen Pangborn, Clarke, Edge, Broking, Gaddis and Hankins were appointed the Committee.

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That at the same time in which the charter and its amendments are printed in pamphlet form the acts, a list of which is hereto annexed, be printed with the same under the direction of the Committee on Printing as per resolution adopted May 12, 1863.

By Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That the four resolutions passed May 19th, 1863, appointing times and places of hearing in the matters of the applications for the improvement of South 7th street from Brunswick street to Newark avenue, North 2d street from Provost street to Meadow street, Coles street from South 2d street to North 2d street, and the opening of a street in the direction of and so as to connect the two parts of Montgomery street now open, be and the same are hereby rescinded.

By Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That Monday, June 8th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and the Committee Room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, March 31st, 1863, of John B. Drayton and others, to have a street opened in the direction of, and so as to connect the two parts of Montgomery street now open, to extend from the west side of Warren street to the line of the east side of Van Vorst street, and to be of the same width as the parts of Montgomery street now open, which street shall be a continuation of Montgomery street, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

By Alderman Hough and adopted—

Resolved, That Thursday, June 18, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, April 28, 1863, of Homer Ramsdell and others, to have North 2d street between the east side of Provost street and the west side of Meadow street, regulated, &c., and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

By Alderman Hough and adopted—

Resolved, That Thursday, June 18, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p. m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, April 28th, 1863, of T. Schnitzer and others, to have South 7th street between the easter-

ly line of Brunswick street and the southerly line of Newark avenue; regulated and paved with cobble stones, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

By Alderman Hough and adopted :

Resolved, That Thursday, June 18th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m., and the committee room, in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place; when and where the committee on streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council, April 28th, 1863, of James M. Quinlan and others, to have Coles street between the northerly line of South 2d street and the northerly line of North 2d street filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on public grounds and buildings have all necessary repairs done to the station house building which it may require at an expense not to exceed twenty five dollars.

By Alderman Hankins and adopted :

Resolved, That the committee on alms be authorized to purchase the necessary groceries, bread, meat, and feed for the use of the alms house.

By Alderman Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Police be au-

thorized to have the Station House cleansed, and to purchase such articles for the same as are necessary, at an expense not to exceed forty dollars.

By Alderman Clarke and adopted :

Resolved, That the Assessors be directed, in assessing for the fiscal year 1863, to assess the property by the city map known as R. C. Bacot's.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hough, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz : "An ordinance to establish the grade of a part of Wayne Street."

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hough, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery Street intersects Warren Street, to where Montgomery Street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory Streets."

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 19th inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance in relation to the purchase and sale of junk and vehicles for collecting the same."

The ordinance was amended and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Decker ; Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Kane and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Earle and McBride.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 2, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Decker, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Aldermen Clarke and Kane were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Aldermen Ege and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 26, 18 3, were read and approved.

Alderman Desker announced to the Board that in consequence of business arrangements lately made by him it would be improper for him to hold the office of Water Commissioner and tendered his resignation as President of the Common Council.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the resignation was accepted.

On motion of Alderman Edge it was unanimously

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to Alderman Decker for the impartial and dignified manner in which he has filled the office of President during the present municipal year.

On motion of Alderman Cox, Alderman Gaddis was appointed President pro tempore.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows:

Official bond of John D. Nolan as Street Commissioner with William Coleman and Thomas Gross as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Charles D. Ward, as a Surveyor, with John D. Ward and William L. Dickinson as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Dennis Farrell as Constable, with Thomas Lynch and John Kennedy as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Liberty Fire Engine Company, No. 1, for a Steam Fire Engine, and offering to pay one thousand dollars of the cost, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Engine Company, No. 5, for a new Steam Fire Engine.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Cornelius Van Vorst and others to have the Engine of Fire Engine Co., No. 5, which has been in use for a long time and is unfit for further service, replaced by a new Steam Fire Engine, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Robert Denning for a license to run a transfer coach from the Erie Railway Depot to New York.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Alexander McDonald and others, licensed junk dealers, for the repeal of the ordinance passed May 26th, 1863, entitled "An ordinance in relation to the purchase and sale of junk and vehicles for collecting the same."

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petitions of Thomas Morrissey, James Given and Richard J. Owens for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Clarke, Colston & Downes, publishers of the Daily Advocate, to be furnished with a copy of the official minutes for publication, &c.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Petition of Hudson Hose Co. No. 1 for the erection of a house for the use of said company, and to be furnished with a steam fire engine.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Petition of Isaac Kaylar and others to have York street swept and the dirt removed therefrom. Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Thomas Gross and others to have the south half of the roadway of Grand street from the middle line of Grove street to the east line of Barrow street filled to the established grade, regulated and paved, and the side walks on the south side of said street where required refilled to the established grade and the flagging reset.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of James Welsh and others for the construction of a main sewer in south Seventh street, from the present termination of the south Seventh street sewer to a point fifty feet east of the easterly line of Brunswick street, with lateral sewers in Monmouth and south Eighth street, &c.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

Alderman Gafney being the only member of the Committee on Licenses present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman McBride was appointed.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid viz:

Of J. C. Clark & Co., \$37 50; William Conner, \$9 00 and \$9 00; R. B. Earle & Co., \$18 00 and \$7 50; J. J. Hill, \$10 00; Michael Killeen, \$12 00 and \$12 00; Patrick Maden, \$7 50 and \$7 50; Job Male and Stephen Quaife, \$10 00; A. G. Mason, \$10 00; P. McDonnell, \$3 50; James S. Noyes, \$50 00; John Ryan, \$7 50 and \$7 50.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:—Of P. D. Vroom, \$50 00 Geo. W. Cassidy, \$166 66; S. D. Ellis, \$15 00; A. G. Mason, \$10 00 and Mrs. C. Rafferty, \$6 00.

On motion of Alderman Hough, the action of the Common Council, had May 26, 1863, ordering payment of a claim of John H. Lyon, \$236.78, for publishing, &c., was rescinded, and the claim re-committed to the Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Subsequently the claim was reported correct for \$202.78, and that amount ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, JERSEY)
CITY, June 2, 1863.)

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

Enclosed I transmit your honorable body another injunction issued by the Chancellor of our State to the Morris Canal and Banking Company, enjoining the corporate authorities from erecting and building docks, wharves, or piers; or driving piles in or upon the disputed lands and within the south cove, and also subpoena to answer the complaint of the said Canal Company before the Chancellor in Court of Chancery, to be held at Trenton on the 15th inst.

I would suggest the same reference as was taken with papers of a similar nature, which I sent you at your last regular session, viz, to the Corporation Attorney.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The communication was received, ordered filed, and the writ of injunction and subpoena were referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The annual report of the Comptroller was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery with instructions to have

the same printed in pamphlet form, in connection with the Mayor's Message.

The report of the City Treasurer for the month of May, 1863, showing a balance due the treasurer June 1, 1863, of \$323 18 was presented received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the Mayor, May 28, 1863, of the ordinance passed May 26, 1863, entitled an ordinance in relation to the purchase and sale of junk and vehicles for collecting the same.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Corporation Attorney to whom was referred May 26, 1863, the petition of John McGraw and others for improvement of Greene street, from Steuben to Harsimus street, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that the petition is not drawn in legal form. The report was received and the petition ordered to be returned to the petitioners together with the communication of the Corporation Attorney attached thereto.

A communication was presented from the board of officers of the Jersey City Fire Department in reference to the return of the 21st Regiment, and asking the aid and assistance of the Common Council in connection with the Fire Department.

The communication was received and referred to the special committee on reception of 21st Regiment N. J. V.

A communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners asking the Common Council to increase the salary of the clerk of said Board to two hundred dollars per annum, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department enclosing returns of the following elections in said Department confirmed by the Fire Commissioners:

Elections of John Keegan by engine Co. No. 2; Felix Dolan and John Lennon by Hose Co. No. 6.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That each Standing Committee is hereby requested to furnish to the Committee on Finance during the present week an estimate of the amount of appropriation which each of said Standing Committees will require for the current municipal year, to enable the Committee on Finance to prepare and report on the 9th instant the annual tax ordinance.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

(Alderman Kane appeared and took his seat.)

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred May 19, 1863, the petition of Morris & Cummings to have cancelled sale made June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, of block 101, belonging to them, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made June 7, 1858, to Michael Lienau, for taxes of 1857, for \$58 02, of block 101, Bentley's map, assessed to P. Bentley, be cancelled of record by the City Clerk on the payment into the city treasury by the owners of said property of the sum of fifty four dollars, (taxes of 1857,) with interest thereon at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum from December 20, 1857, and that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Michael Lienau the purchaser thereof, for fifty eight dollars and two cents and interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent per annum to refund the purchase money and interest thereon, and that said warrant be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancellation the declaration of sale of said block; said sale being hereby

ordered cancelled for the reason that said block was erroneously assessed, for taxes of 1857 to a party, who was not the owner thereof, as appears by the petition presented to this Common Council May 19, 1863, of Morris and Cummings and the affidavit thereto attached of Peter Bentley.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented favorable reports on the following described bonds, heretofore referred to them, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That the Official Bond of Peter Waggoner, as Pound Master, executed by him as principal, and by John Eberhart and Cornelius V. Traphagen as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the Official Bond of James O. Rourke as Constable, executed by him as principal, and by Thomas Brophy and Michael O. Rourke as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the Official Bond of Patrick Warren as Constable, executed by him as principal, and by Patrick Reily and Cornelius V. Traphagen as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred May 26, 1863, the estimate of the sources of revenue to be derived from the Jersey City water works, and the expenditures for the year commencing May 1, 1863, presented a report thereon recommending that the estimate be filed in the City Clerk's Office.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Lamps to whom was referred May 26, 1863, the petition of Henry A. Greene, post master, to have a gas lamp placed in front of the post office, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to have a gas lamp placed in front of the post office in Washington street.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Terry Earle and Edge.

Yeas—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Broking and Kane.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke, Ege and Pangborn.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables; the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to William Allen on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Hugh Keegan on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Paul Heller on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections reported an ordinance entitled "An ordinance fixing salaries."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred May 19, 1863, the petition of George Duncan and others for a receiving basin and culvert on the southwest corner of Grand and Grove streets presented a report thereon recommending that the petition be referred to the board of water commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting two sealed proposals received by them in answer to an advertisement calling for proposals for contract to improve Provost street from Pavonia avenue to North 2d street, the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Daniel W. Culver and Keeney & Halladay.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted.

Resolved, That the two proposals, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve Provost st, from Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Second street be referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said Committee, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS,

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of D. E. Culver, \$11.25. Referred to the Joint Committee on Ferries, and Wharves, and Police.

Of Drayton & Durant \$102.03. Matthew Erwin, \$47.57, and Hugh Reiley \$32.71. Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Hughes & Piaget, \$13.37; G. & J. C. Laurence, \$13.75; and Peter Lynch, \$35.00. Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. F. Richardson, \$30.50. Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of William Howe \$30.00, and Geo. W. Cassidy \$5.50. Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$39.37. Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Thomas Cox, \$3.25, and W. H. Horton \$25. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Hughes and Piaget, \$2.00. Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of John Coar \$628.47, D. E. Culver \$6.75, William Conner \$9.00, Michael Killen \$12.00, Patrick Maden, \$7.50, and John Ryan \$7.50. Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Kane, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:—An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance

passed May 26, 1863, and approved May 28, 1863, entitled "An ordinance in relation to the purchase and sale of junk and vehicles for collecting the same."

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman McBride and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be authorized to advertise for proposals for sweeping and cleaning the streets of Jersey City during the present municipal year, ending the 30th day of April, 1864.

By Alderman McBride and adopted—

Resolved, That Colgate & Co and Wm. S. Gilbert owners of property fronting on Wayne street, have permission to fill up said street to grade as asked for in a petition presented to this Common Council Feb. 17th, 1863, said filling to be done under the direction of the Committee on Streets, and when completed the Committee on Streets will advertise for proposals for the filling up of the remainder and finishing the said improvement.

By Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to give notice to the Jersey City and Bergen Point Railroad Co. to repair the Belgian pavement along their tracks where necessary, as in many places the pavement is sunk below the flange of the rail, making it difficult if not dangerous for wheeled vehicles to cross the track.

By Alderman Cox:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow the sum of ten thousand dollars in anticipation of the taxes for the current year, and to issue the requisition upon the Mayor, City Clerk and Comptroller for a bond or bonds of the city therefor, said bond or bonds to be drawn dated at such time or times as the interests of the city may require, and to be made payable on December 20th, 1863.

Resolved, That his honor the mayor together with the city clerk and comptroller be requested to sign the said bond or bonds with the seal of the city attached.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Clarke, Ege and Pangborn.

Alderman Clarke appeared and took his seat.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Earle the vote by which the resolutions were adopted was reconsidered.

On motion of Alderman Earle the first resolution was amended by adding the words "with interest not to exceed the rate of six per cent. per annum."

The resolutions as amended were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Ege and Pangborn.

By Alderman Terry.

Resolved, That the resolution passed on 26th May to pay to policemen \$650 per year and to aids to the Chief \$700 per year be reconsidered.

The resolution was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman McBride.

By Alderman Hough and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing and Stationery be authorized to procure the necessary City Directories, for the use of the City Officers.

By Alderman Hough and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing and

Stationery be authorized to purchase the necessary stationery for the use of the City Officers.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for celebrating the Fourth of July, and that four hundred dollars be appropriated for that purpose.

Aldermen Gafney, Nafew and McBride were appointed the committee.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance presented May 26, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to establish the grade of a part of Wayne Street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Clarke, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Ege and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Hough the following entitled ordinance presented May 26, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery Street intersects Warren Street, to where Montgomery Street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory Streets."

By consent of the Board Alderman Hough withdrew the ordinance.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the board proceeded to the election of a President.

William Clarke was nominated by Alderman Nafew.

On motion of Alderman Earle the rule requiring a balloting was suspended and on his motion William Clarke was viva voce unanimously elected President.

Aldermen McBride and Decker were appointed a committee to conduct the President to the chair.

The committee performed the duty assigned them and the President addressed the board in acknowledgement of the honor conferred on him.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 9, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gatenby, Hankins, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Hough and Kane.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 2d inst., were read and approved.

The President announced that with the consent of the board he would fill the vacancies in the Standing Committees caused by his election to the Presidency by the appointment of Alderman Decker.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Official bond of Isaac B. Culver, as a City Surveyor, with Daniel W. Culver and George McLaughlin as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of George W. Edge, Benjamin O. Edge, E. B. Wakeman and J. G. Edge, owners of shore property south of the Morris Canal, in Communipaw Cove and New York Bay, for permission to drive piles in said Cove for the purpose of marking their boundaries, &c.

Referred to Committee on Ferries and Wharves.

Petition of Seavers & Smith, W. H. Talcott and others property owners of the First and Second Wards, to have granted the petition of Liberty Engine Company, No. 1, for a Steam Fire Engine.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petitions of William Powley and Hugh Tiernay, for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Charles G. Sisson and others owners of meadow property along the Plank Road from Jersey street to the Mill creek, asking the Common Council to extend the time for the removal of the railroad track in Grand street to the centre of said street.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Petition of George Duncan for a receiving basin and culvert on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal streets, to connect with the sewer in Grove street.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

Petition of D. S. Gregory and others, owners of property fronting on the street to be assessed for the repavement of Washington street from Montgomery street to Essex street, with Belgian pavement.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of D. S. Gregory and others, owners of property on Grand street west of Washington street to have said street repaved with Belgian pavement from Washington to Grove street.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of W. F. Coleman for the remission of a fine imposed on him for violating a city ordinance by firing a pistol, which he did for the purpose of killing a cat, &c.

On motion of Alderman Ege it was

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid viz :

Of John Coar, \$628.31; Thomas Cox, \$8.25; Geo. W. Casedy, \$5.50; D. E. Culver, \$8.75; William Conner, \$9.00; Drayton & Durant, \$102.03; Matthew Erwin, \$47.57; Nathaniel Ellis,

\$39.37; W. H. Horton, \$25.00; William Howe, \$80.00; Hughes & Piaget, \$13.37; Michael Killen, \$12.00; G. & J. C. Lawrence, \$11.75; Patrick Maden, \$7.50; Hugh Reilly, \$32.71, and John Ryan, \$7.50.

A claim of Mrs. C. Lynch, \$5.00, for nursing child from alms house was presented, received, referred to the Committee on Alms, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the report of the Committee on the same, and said claim was reported correct and ordered paid.

A claim of Peter Lynch, \$35.00, for carting for Fire Department, referred to the Committee on Fire and Water June 2, 1863, was reported back by said committee as not correct, for the reason that no date is given or place named. The report was received and adopted.

Alderman Hankins, from the Committee on Alms, returned the claim referred to them May 26, 1863, of P. N. Horsley \$9.00 for services rendered in bastardy cases, and stated that in the opinion of the committee the claim is not a legal charge against the city.

The report was received and the committee discharged from the consideration of the claim.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Chanceman Daniel Gerahty, on Charges preferred against him by the Chief of Police, and reminding the Board that no action has yet been taken towards the confirmation of chancemen, in accordance with the ordinance recently passed, &c. The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Police.

The Corporation Attorney, to whom was referred, June 2, 1863, the petition of Thomas Gross and others, for improvement of south half of road way of Grand Street, &c., from Grove to Barrow Street, &c, reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received, and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

An estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of building a main sewer in South 7th Street, from the present termination of the South 7th Street sewer, to a point fifty feet east of the easterly line of Brunswick Street, &c., as petitioned for by James Welch and others, June 2, 1863, was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

An estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of building a sewer in Mercer Street, from Washington Street to tide water at the Hudson River, &c., as petitioned for by Michael Mullone, May 12, 1863, was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor, June 4, 1863, of the ordinance passed on the 2d inst. entitled "An ordinance to establish the grade of a part of Wayne street.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have a street opened in the direction of and so as to connect the two parts of Montgomery street now open, to extend from the west side of War en street to the line of the east side of Van Vorst street."

The report was received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred, May 8, 1863, the petition of Henry Lifchild for the correction of an error in the assessment on his lot for regulating Newark avenue, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution—

Be it Resolved, That a warrant for six dollars and forty-two cents be executed according to law, payable to the order of Henry Lifchild and deliv-

ered to him as a deduction from the amount of assessment paid by him for the improvement of Newark avenue from the west side of Warren street to the east side of Jersey avenue, according to the spirit of a resolution passed by the Common Council on the 22d October, 1861.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented favorable reports on the following described bonds heretofore referred to them, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That the Official Bond of Dennis Farrel as Constable, executed by him as principal, and by James Lynch and John Kennedy as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the Official Bond of John D. Nolan, as Street Commissioner, executed by him as principal, and by William Coleman and Thomas Gross as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the Official Bond of Charles D. Ward as City Surveyor, executed by him as principal, and by John D. Ward and William L. Dickinson as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for the Assessment of an Annual Tax for the year ending May 1st, 1864, exclusive of a poll tax."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to James Given on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Richard J. Owens on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred June 2, 1863, the petition of Robert Denning for a license to run a transfer coach from the Erie Railway depot to New York, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner for the reason that the petition does not conform to the ordinance entitled "An ordinance concerning hack drivers, omnibus drivers and porters."

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to whom was referred June 2, 1863, the petition of Hudson Hose Company No. 1 for the erection of a house for the use of said company and to be furnished with a steam fire engine, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the matter of a steam fire engine does not appropriately come within the power of the committee, and that the part of the petition for the erection of an engine house should be granted, but until the Common Council decide what kind of an engine shall be purchased, the committee will be unable to make any suggestions as the character of the building or the cost of the same.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was

referred, May 19, 1863, the notice of James S. Noyes, of expiration of agreement for rent of certain sheds in the sixth ward for a public pound, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Health be authorized and empowered to lease from James S. Noyes, for the year ending May 1, 1864, at a rent of one hundred dollars, the sheds on Newark Avenue, in the Sixth Ward, for the purposes of a Public Pound.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, who have under consideration the petition referred to them this evening of James Welsh and others, for a main sewer in South 7th Street, &c., and the estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Monday, June 22, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p.m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall, are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council, June 2d, 1863, of James Welsh, Thomas Quinlan and Patrick K. Iroy, for the construction of a main sewer in South 7th Street, from the present termination of the South 7th Street, to a point fifty feet east of the easterly line of Brunswick Street, with lateral sewers in Monmouth Street, between South 7th and South 8th Streets, and in South 8th Street, between Monmouth Street and a point distant fifty feet east of Brunswick Street, according to the general plan of sewerage, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointments of the above named time and place for a hearing; and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council, June 9th, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, who had under consideration the petition referred to them this evening of Michael Mullone for a main sewer in Mercer street, &c., and the estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution appointing a time and a place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Monday, June 22, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p.m., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on sewers of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this common council, May 12, 1863, of Michael Mullone for the construction of a main sewer in Mercer street from a point distant about one hundred feet easterly from the easterly line of Washington street to tide water at the Hudson River, with lateral sewers in Greene and Hudson streets as shown on diagram accompanying the application, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing; and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the board of water commissioners in their communication presented to this common council, June 9th, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on streets, to whom was referred May 8, 1863, the petition of John B. Drayton and others for the opening of a street in the direction of and so as to connect the two parts of Montgomery street now open, &c., presented a favorable report thereon setting forth that pursuant to a resolution of the common council the committee had given parties interested therein a hearing and submitting the following entitled ordinance in relation thereto, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table.

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted and the ordinance ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting one sealed proposal received by them in answer to an advertisement calling for proposals for a contract to sweep and clean the streets of Jersey City, the report recommending that the proposal be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposal was opened, read, and found to be from John Coar, accompanied by a bond for the fulfillment of contract if awarded.

(Alderman Hawkins obtained leave and retired.)

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride:

Resolved, That the one proposal reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to sweep and clean the streets of Jersey City from the date of the contract to the first day of May, 1864, be referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the said bidder, provided, the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Ege and Terry.

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, McBride and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Cox, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Hankins, Hough and Kane. (Alderman Broking obtained leave and retired.)

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS,

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of John W. Harrison \$16.43, \$12.80, \$9.40 and \$7.35; A. B. Reynolds \$67.71; Jacob Soney \$15.50 and John Travers \$20.00.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William King \$93.92.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of William Conner \$9.00; Michael Killeen \$12.00; Patrick Maden \$7.50; John Murray \$3.36, and John Ryan \$7.50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be directed to cause the removal of all wagons, carts or other vehicles from the public streets of Jersey City, in the manner prescribed by the ordinances relating thereto.

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to Robert Denning to run his transfer coach from the Erie Railway passenger depot at Long Dock over the Pavonia Ferry, for the purpose of carrying passengers via the Erie Railway to connecting lines in the city of New York.

By Alderman Terry and adopted.

Whereas, As there is a horse and cart kept at the Alms House, belonging to the City, and

Whereas, The Superintendent of the Alms House has expressed his willingness to do any carting for the city, that he might be called on to do, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to employ said horse and cart to do the carting for the Fire Department.

By Alderman Earle.

Whereas, There is an indebtedness of this City, past due, of several sums of money, amounting in all to the sum of \$13,300, for which an interest is accruing of seven per cent. per annum, therefore

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to give notice to the several parties to whom said amounts are due that the principal sums will be paid on the first day of July next.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue requisitions upon the Mayor, City Clerk and Comptroller for bond or bonds of the City, amounting in all to the sum of thirteen thousand, three hundred dollars, to be dated July 1, 1863, and to run for ten years.

Resolved, That said Committee be requested to advertise said bond or bonds for sale to parties offering the highest premium for the same.

The preamble and resolutions were referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted—

Resolved, That F. J. Mallory be appointed one of the City Surveyors on his qualifying and filing the usual security.

By consent of the board, Aldermen Decker and Edge exchanged with each other their respective positions on the Committees on Licenses and Police.

Alderman Decker becoming chairman of Committee on Licenses and Alderman Edge, chairman of Committee on Police.

On motion of Alderman Ege the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 16, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, and Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 9th inst., were read and approved.

Alderman Decker being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Earle was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of C. F. Durant for correction of "erroneous and unjust amounts of taxes" on his property for the years 1861 and 1862.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of C. H. Gesner for the remission of a fine for firing a pistol which he did for the purpose of killing a cat, &c.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of W. W. Knight for the abatement of a nuisance caused by filth, &c., collecting on a sunken lot known as No. 127 Morgan street. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of A. S. Jewell and others for the construction of a main sewer in York street from the westerly side of Jersey avenue to tide water at the Hudson River with lateral sewers in Jersey avenue, Barrow, Bright and Montgomery streets, Newark avenue, Warren, Green and Hudson streets, &c.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

Petition of the Erie Railway and Long Dock companies to have the contractors engaged in prosecuting the improvement of Meadow street from Pavonia avenue to North Second street desist temporarily from interfering with the tracks of said companies, until they can have a hearing in reference thereto.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of the Long Dock company owners of all the lots of land on both sides of Meadow street, between the south side of North 4th street and a point distant in a southerly direction from the south side of North 2d street 100 feet, and also of the lots on the east side of Meadow street, commencing at a point last named and extending southerly to a point distant 100 feet from the north side of Pavonia avenue, for the passage of an ordinance altering the grade of Meadow street from the north line of North Fourth street to a point distant in a southerly direction from the south side of North 2d street 100 feet, to conform to a diagram accompanying the application.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of George W. Gregory and others to have the sidewalks in front of the Washington House, corner of Hudson and Grand streets graded and flagged.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Conner, \$9; J. W. Harrison, \$16 43; Hughes & Piaget, \$2; William King, \$93 92; Michael Killeen, \$12; John Murray, \$33 36; Patrick Maden, \$7 50; A. B. Reynolds, \$67 71; J. F. Richardson, \$30 50; John Ryan, \$7 50 and John Travers, \$20.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was presented from His Honor

the Mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of policemen Patrick McDonagh and John O'Donnell, on charges preferred against them by the officers of the Police Department.

The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Police.

The annual report of W. J. Hadden, City Physician of the First Health District for the year 1862, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery, with instructions to have the same printed in pamphlet form in connection with the Mayor's Message.

A report was presented from the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners on the petition referred to them June 2, 1863, of George Duncan and others, for a receiving basin and culvert on the southwest corner of Grand and Grove Streets, the report setting forth that the basin should be built on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal Streets, and the application is therefore informal.

The report was received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

An estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of building a receiving basin and culvert on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal Streets, as petitioned for by George Duncan, June 9, 1863, was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The petition of D S Gregory and others to have Grand street, from Washington to Grove street, paved with Belgian pavement, referred to the corporation attorney on the 9th inst., was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the committee on streets.

The petition of D S Gregory and others to have Washington street, from Montgomery to Essex street, paved with Belgian pavement, referred to the corporation attorney on the 9th inst., was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received, and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The following requisitions were presented from the Board of Education :

To the Common Council of Jersey City.
At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at their rooms on Monday evening, June 1st, 1863, it was resolved, unanimously, that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims :

Blakeman & Mason, for books and stationery for school No. 2, \$286 65. Blankman & Mason, for books and stationery for School No. 3, \$246 19.

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Jersey City, June 10, 1863.

At a meeting of the Board of Education, held at their room on Monday evening, June 15, 1863, it was resolved, that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims :

Jacob Soney, repairing locks, &c., School No. 1..... \$4 45
Henry Steele & Son agts, for Iron work, .. 5 87

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, June 16, 1863.

The requisition was received and on motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisitions presented this evening from the Board of Education and for the amounts respectively named.

A communication from the Board of Education in reference to an increase of the salaries of teachers in the Public Schools, was presented, received, and ordered to lie upon the table until miscellaneous business.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance presented a favorable report on the official bond of Isaac B. Culver as a City Surveyor, referred to them on the 9th inst., the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That the official bond of Isaac B. Culver as City Surveyor, executed by him as principal and by Daniel W. Culver and George McLaughlin as sureties be accepted and approved and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 9th inst., the preamble and resolution of Alderman Earle in reference to sundry claims against the city and past due presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the several city bonds past due and the city stock bonds past due amounting in all to \$13,300, on which an interest is accruing of seven per cent. per annum be paid on the first day of July next, and that the Finance Committee give the parties holding said bonds notice that the principal sums will be paid, and that the interest will stop on that day if the said bonds should not be presented.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby authorized to issue requisitions upon the Mayor, City Clerk, and Comptroller for coupon bonds amounting to \$13,000 and a city bond for \$300, all to be dated July 1st, 1863, and to bear interest at six per cent. per annum, said bonds to be drawn in favor of James L. Ogden and to run for ten years.

The resolutions were amended so as to read as follows:

Whereas, There is an indebtedness of this City, past due, of several sums of money, amounting in all to the sum of \$13,300, for which an interest is accruing of seven per cent. per annum, therefore

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to give notice to the several parties to whom said amounts are due, that the principal sums will be paid on the first day of July next, after which date the interest will cease if the bonds be not presented at that time.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue requisitions upon the Mayor, City Clerk and Comptroller for bond or bonds of the City, amounting in all to the sum of thirteen thousand, three hundred dollars, to be dated July 1, 1863, and to run for ten years.

Resolved, That said Committee be requested to advertise in the Jersey City papers for one week, said bond or bonds for sale to parties offering the highest premium for the same, said bonds to draw interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

The resolutions as amended were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Aldermen Decker.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, and Hough.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Hugh Tiernay on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to William Powley on his paying the license fees re-

quired by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Printing and Stationery, to whom was referred on the 9th inst. the petition of the publishers of the Daily Advocate to be furnished with a copy of the official minutes of the Common Council for publication, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the application of the publishers of the Advocate to be furnished by the city clerk with a copy of the official minutes of the proceedings of this Common Council for publication, be granted, provided the same be published without any expense to the city.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them on the 9th inst. of Thomas Gross and others, for the improvement of the south half of the road way of Grand street from Grove Street to Barrow street, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Friday, July 10, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p. m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall, are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, June 2d, 1863, of Thomas Gross and others, to have the road way of the south half of Grand street from the middle line of Grove street to the east line of Barrow street filled to the established grade, regulated and paved and the sidewalks on the south side of Grand street where required, refilled and flagging relaid, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them May 26, 1863, of Charles S. Archer and others, for improvement of Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Friday, July 10, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p. m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the Common Council, May 19, 1863, of Charles S. Archer and others, to have Prospect street from the north line of Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Seventh street, regulated and paved with Belgian pavement and the sidewalks regulated, curbed, guttered and flagged four feet wide where not already regulated and flagged, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Claflin Mellen & Co., \$40 92.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Samuel Hetherington, \$1 25.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. P. Townsend, \$90.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Garret Cooper, \$9, and Hughes & Piaget, \$32.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of J. H. Lyon, \$293 71 and \$148 50.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Samuel Hetherington, \$7.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of George W. Cassedy, \$166 66.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of William Conner, \$9; Michael Killeen, \$12;

Patrick Maden, \$7 50 and John Ryan, \$7 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the communication from the Board of Education presented this evening be taken from the table.

Said communication being as follows:

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—At a meeting of the Board of Education held at their room on Monday evening, June 15, 1863, the following resolutions were adopted and concurrent action on the part of the Common Council is respectfully requested.

Resolved, That with the approval of the Common Council, as is required by the 3d section of the ordinance "To establish the Board of Education," an addition of (\$50) fifty dollars per annum be made to the salaries of all the female teachers in public schools Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

Resolved, That with the approval of the Common Council an addition of one hundred dollars (\$100) per annum be made to the salaries of the male principals in public schools Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Jersey City, June 16, 1863.

On motion of Alderman Earle the first resolution was approved and concurred in.

Alderman Earle moved that the second resolution be approved and concurred in.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Earle, Gaddis and Terry.

Yeas—Aldermen Earle and Gaddis.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox and Hough.

(Alderman Terry obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Alderman Kane the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 2d inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance fixing Salaries."

(During its consideration Alderman Earle and Ege obtained leave and retired.)

The ordinance was amended, and as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Ege, Hough and Terry.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance presented June 9, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street, to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Ege, Hough, and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by the President by request of Alderman Earle.

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be authorized to cause the laterals connected with Wayne street sewer, to be cleansed and to have the necessary man holes placed in said laterals at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars.

The resolution was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Kane.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Ground and Buildings be requested to report to this Board a proper site for the erection of a School House in the Fifth ward and also the conditions on which the same can be procured.

On motion of Alderman Kane the resolution was amended so as to include a School House in the Sixth ward.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride:

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be instructed to give notice to the owner or owners of the property on the south west corner of Morris and Warren streets and extending westerly about one hundred feet, to have the side walk filled to grade where necessary, curbed and reguttered and newly flagged four feet wide.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Ege, Hough and Terry.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet on Friday, the 19th inst., at 7½ o'clock P. M., for the purpose of considering and passing the tax ordinance.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the vote was reconsidered by which was adopted on the 9th inst. the resolution appointing F. J. Mallory a city surveyor.

By consent of the Board, Alderman Gafney withdrew the resolution.

On motion of Alderman Gafney it was unanimously

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended to enable the Board to appoint, viva voce, F. J. Mallory, as a city surveyor. Whereupon on his motion Franklin J. Mallory was viva voce unanimously appointed a city surveyor.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and is hereby instructed to notify the Jersey City and Bergen Point Horse Railroad Company that they cannot be permitted to remove the Belgian pavement which they take up in laying down their track in Pavonia avenue, as the said pavement of right belongs to the city, and therefore the railroad company have no right to appropriate these Belgian blocks to their own use.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Friday, June 19th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m., for the purpose of considering and passing the tax ordinance.

In the absence of the President the Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen Hankins, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Less than a quorum being present, on motion of Alderman Hankins the Board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 23, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking and Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 16th inst. and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 19th inst. were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

The following invitation was presented, received and accepted:

HUDSON COUNTY, June 18, 1863.

Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

The pleasure of your company is most respectfully solicited at the opening of the almshouse, at the county farm, on Wednesday, the 1st of July next.

A special train will leave Long Dock, Jersey City on that day for the premises at 10.15 a.m., and return from the farm at 5.20 p.m.

Tickets will be furnished by the committee at the depot previous to the starting of the train.

A compliance with the above will oblige

Yours, &c.,

ABRAM DURYEA,

JAMES LYNCH,

JAMES STEVENSON,

CHARLES H. O'NEIL.

} Committee.

Communication from D. S. Manners enclosing a copy of the case of Peter Bentley against the Long Dock Company and others, containing a map of part of the shore front of the city and the commissioners report in said case confirmed by the Chancellor and sanctioned by the Court of Errors and Appeals, &c.,

Ordered filed in the City Clerk's Office.

Petition of Arrest-on Engine Co., No. 2, for an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars to furnish their engine house crew, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of James Harper for license to run two additional junk wagons.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of James Weldon for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 24, Railroad avenue, in the second ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Patrick Meehan and others for police protection in the fifth ward.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of Alfred Berney for a receiving basin and culvert on the northeast corner of South Eighth and Prospect streets.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

Petition of the Long Dock Company and others owners of all the lots of land in Meadow street between the middle line of North 4th street and the north side of Pavonia avenue, for the passage of an ordinance altering the grade of said portion of Meadow street so as to conform to diagram accompanying the application.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Remonstrance of C. F. Duranast against the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of Claflin Mellen & Co. \$40 92, Garret Cooper \$9 00, G. W. Cassedy \$166 66, William Conner

\$9 00, J. W. Harrison \$12 80 \$9 40 \$7 35, Samuel Hetherington \$1 25, Hughes & Piaget \$32 00 Michael Killen \$12 00, John H. Lyon \$293 71 and \$148 50, Patrick Maden \$7 50, John Ryan \$7 50, and Jacob Soney \$14 50.

Claims of C. S. Graffulla \$86 00, and William Robertson \$57 00, for music for reception of 21st Regiment, were presented, received, referred to the Special Committee on reception of 21st Regiment. The rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the reports of the Committee on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing a communication received by him from Hon. L. W. Elder, Mayor of the city of Hoboken, in reference to the deposit of garbage and filth from New York within the city limits, and near the dividing line between Jersey City and Hoboken.

The communications were received and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A communication from his Honor, the Mayor, recommending the transfer of certain unexpended monies, raised by bond for the payment of soldiers bounties, to the general fund for the payment of the current expenses of the City Government, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Corporation attorney, to whom was referred on the 16th inst. the petition of Geo. W. Gregory and others to have the side walks in front of the Washington House, corner of Grand and Hudson streets graded and flagged, presented a report thereon setting forth that said side walk having been once flagged the application should have been for regrading and reflagging and is therefore informal.

The report was received and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the corporation attorney on the petition referred to him June 16, 1863, of the Long Dock Company in reference to change of grade on Meadow street, &c.

The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by his Honor the Mayor on the 18th inst. of the ordinance passed June 16th, 1863, entitled:

"An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street, to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Coles street, between the northerly line of South 2d street and the northerly line of North 2d street filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered, sidewalks flagged four feet wide, &c."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have North Second street, between the east side of Provost street and the west side of Meadow street, regulated, brought to the established grade, curbed, guttered, sidewalks flagged four feet wide, &c."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have South 7th street, between the easterly line of Brunswick street and the southerly line of Newark avenue, regulated and paved with cobble stones."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application, June 2, 1863, by James Welsh and others for the construction of a main sewer in South 7th street from the present termination of South 7th street sewer to a point distant fifty feet east of the easterly line of Brunswick street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application, May 12, 1863, by Michael Mullone for the construction of a main sewer in Mercer street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said Department confirmed by the Fire Commissioners.

Elections of Henry F. Crawford, Henry V. Piaget, William Dixon, Benjamin Van Winkle and J. Edwin Scott by Engine Co. No. 1. James Bradley by Engine Co. No. 2. Thos. McCarty by Engine Co. No. 3^d and Cornelius Collins by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

Resignations of Thomas Gross and John Rooney from Engine Co. No. 4. John Lincks from Hose Co. No. 2, and T. D. Witherell from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by the city charter, a list of property still unredeemed, sold September 6, 1861, for unpaid taxes and assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred, May 19, 1863, the communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners, asking the Common Council to furnish the Fire Department with badges, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be, and are hereby authorized to procure badges for members of the Fire Department at a cost of not to exceed three hundred dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred, May 26, 1863, the petition of Patrick Corrigan to be paid for damage done to the stoop of house No. 356 South 7th street by fire engine No. 1, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be, and are hereby authorized to have the damages done to the premises, No. 356 South 7th street by Liberty Engine Co. No. 1, repaired, at a cost of not to exceed twenty-five dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom were referred June 2, 1863, the petition of Cornelius Van Vorst and others for the purchase of a steam fire engine, to be placed in charge of Engine Co. No. 5, and the petition of Engine Co. No. 5 for a steam fire engine, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this board take action to procure a steam fire engine to be placed in charge of Engine Co. No. 5, and that the amount required for the purchase thereof be raised by bonds or otherwise, as the board may see fit.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom was referred June 2, 1863, the petition of Engine Co. No. 1 for a steam fire engine, and to whom was referred June 9, 1863, the petition of Severs & Smith, W. H. Talcott and others, to have the petition of Engine Co. No. 1 granted, presented a report there-

on recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this board take action to procure a steam engine to be placed in the Second ward in charge of Liberty Engine Co. No. 1, and that the amount required for the purchase thereof be raised by bonds or otherwise as the board may see fit.

The report was received and the resolution laid upon the table.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred June 16, 1863, the petition of C. H. Gesner for remission of a fine for violating a city ordinance presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of C. H. Gesner for the sum of ten dollars, being the remission of fine for violation of city ordinance.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred, June 16, 1863, the communication from His Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policemen McDonagh and O'Donnell on charges preferred against them by the Chief of Police, presented a report thereon setting forth that they gave the officers named a hearing and they acknowledged themselves guilty of the offence for which they were suspended, &c., and that the Committee have suspended Officer McDonagh from duty for twelve days and Officer O'Donnell for nine days from the date of the Mayor's communication and asking the confirmation of their action by the common council.

The report was received and the action of the committee approved and confirmed.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred June 16, 1863, the petition of George Duncan for a receiving basin and culvert on the north west corner of Grove and Canal streets and the estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said basin, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Thursday, July 9, 1863, at 7¹/₂ o'clock, p. m., and the Committee Room in the City Hall, are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council, June 9th, 1863, of George Duncan for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the north westerly corner of Grove and Canal streets to connect with the sewer in Grove street, and that the City Clerk is hereby directed to publish in the Corporation Paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing; and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council June 16, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred June 16, 1863, the petition of George Duncan and others for a receiving basin on the south west corner of Grove and Grand streets, and the report thereon of the Engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners, for the reason named in the report of the engineer of the Board of Water Commissioners, that the petition is erroneously drawn.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred June 9, 1863, the petition of James Welsh and others, to have a main sewer built in South 7th

street from the present termination of the South 7th street sewer to a point distant fifty feet east of the easterly line of Brunswick street, &c., and the estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be denied,

The report was received and its recommendation was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Kane, Drake and Nafew:

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Gafney, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen Broking and Hough.

Alderman Kane moved

That the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and [that the Corporation Attorney be instructed to prepare the necessary preamble and resolution providing for the construction of said sewer.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the whole subject was ordered to lie upon the table.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred June 9, 1863, the petition of Michael Mullone for the construction of a main sewer in Mercer street, from a point distant about 100 feet easterly from the easterly line of Washington street to tide water at the Hudson river, &c., and the estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner, the following resolution accompanying the report.

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition of Michael Mullone for the construction of a main sewer in Mercer street with laterals, &c., be not granted and that he be advised to apply to the Board of Water Commissioners for permission to tap the Wayne street sewer, the New Jersey Railroad Company, through their agent, Mr. J. B. Gaddis, having agreed to pay the cost of building so much of said sewer as will be covered by the railroad tracks.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred June 16, 1863, the petitions of D. S. Gregory and others to have Grand street from Washington to Grove street and Washington street from Montgomery to Essex street paved with Belgian pavement presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners, for the reason that the committee do not deem it absolutely necessary to incur so large an expense to the city at the present time, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred June 16, 1863, the petition of the Long Dock and Erie Railway Companies, asking the common council to delay the improvement of Meadow street until they can have a hearing in reference to the grade of said street, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that the change of grade is imperatively demanded on said street, &c., and asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the matter.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred this evening the petition of the Long Dock Company for the passage of an ordinance to alter the grade of Meadow street, &c., presented a report submitting the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to alter the grade of Meadow street from the middle line of North Fourth street to the north line of Pavonia avenue."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

(Alderman Cox obtained leave and retired.)

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.
Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of M. C. Smith, \$5 00.

Referred to the Special Committee on funeral arrangements of Capt. Gamble and Lieut. Howeth. Of Hugh McFadden, \$35 00; Ward & McGown \$268 24, and G. W. Whitley, \$10 00.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Police Department \$2,031 52.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of J. W. Harrison, \$9 05

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Cornelius Murphy, \$60 00

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; J. V. Hardenbergh \$100 00; J. B. Haight, \$100 00; C. C. Martindale \$58 33, and P. D. Vroom, \$50 00.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of William Connor, \$9 00; Michael Killeen, \$12 00; Patrick Maden, \$7 50, and John Ryan, \$6 25.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Be it Resolved, That the resolution passed on the twenty-sixth day of May last and approved by the Mayor of the City, directing the assessors, in assessing for the fiscal year 1863, to assess the property by the city map known as R. C. Bacon's, be, and the same is hereby modified so as to make said map a basis for said assessment, and if the said assessors find any property the location or description of which shall not be accurately described on said map, or in particular cases, they shall be advised by the Corporation Attorney as to the proper method of assessment, they shall assess according to the actual location or description of such property or in pursuance of such advice.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Be it resolved, That the Committee on Laws be, and they are hereby requested to retain counsel to co-operate with the City Attorney in the cause now now pending in the Court of Chancery, against the City, in which the Morris Canal and Banking Company are complainants.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, it was

Resolved, That the resolutions passed June 16, 1863, authorizing the Committee on Finance to advertise coupon bonds for sale, &c., be rescinded.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Gaddis:

Resolved, That the several city bonds past due and the city stock bonds past due amounting in all to \$13,300, on which an interest is accruing of seven per cent. per annum be paid on the first day of July next, and that the Finance Committee give the parties holding said bonds notice that the principal sums will be paid, and that the interest will stop on that day if the said bonds should not be presented.

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby authorized to issue requisitions upon the Mayor, City Clerk, and Comptroller for coupon bonds amounting to \$13,000 and a city bond for \$300, all to be dated July 1st, 1863, and to bear interest at six per cent. per annum, said bonds to be drawn in favor of James L. Ogden and to run for ten years.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox and Hough.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the following entitled ordinance presented June 9, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz: "An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1, 1864, exclusive of a poll tax."

The ordinance was amended and a main laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will adjourn to meet on Friday evening next, the 26th inst., at 8 o'clock p. m.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Kane and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be requested to visit that part of South 7th Street where the sewer is called for during this week so that the question can be brought up next Tuesday evening.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Pangborn and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for thirty dollars be drawn in favor of Nathaniel Ellis for the purpose of defraying the expense of carriage hire in the reception of the 21st Regiment.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Gaddis, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board viz:

"A further supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails on certain streets of Jersey City,'" approved December 20, 1859.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Friday, June 26th, 1863, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Earle the ordinance for the assessment of an Annual Tax for the year ending May 1st, 1864, exclusive of a poll tax, was taken from the table for consideration.

The ordinance was considered and amendments were proposed and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Earle—

For support of Fire Department, eight thousand dollars.

Alderman Terry moved to amend the amendment by making the appropriation seven thousand dollars.

The amendment to the amendment was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, Kane and Terry:

Yeas—Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, McBride and Terry.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

Alderman Earle's amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, Ege and Terry:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Gafney, Hankins and McBride.

Nays—Aldermen Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Kane, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

By Alderman Earle—

"For Public Schools seventeen thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Ege, Nafew and Edge.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

By Alderman Kane.

"For payment of salaries thirteen thousand dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Gaddis.

"For stationery three hundred dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Gaddis.

"For payment of interest fifteen thousand dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Gaddis.

"For legal expenses one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Ege

"For public health eight hundred dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Duff.

"For cleaning and repairing sewers nine hundred dollars." Alderman Kane moved to amend the amendment by making the appropriation one thousand dollars.

The amendment to the amendment was adopted and the amendment as amended (making the appropriation one thousand dollars) was adopted.

By Alderman McBride.

"For cleaning streets and basins four thousand eight hundred dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Gaddis.

"For printing, advertising and corporation printers salary four thousand five hundred dollars." The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Gafney.

For improvement of Hamilton Square; two hundred and fifty dollars.

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Gafney.

Towards the building of or procuring a public school house in the Fifth Ward, five thousand dollars.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Gafney and Nafew:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

By Alderman Gaddis,

For deficiency of appropriation for the year 1860, the sum of eighteen thousand six hundred and seven dollars and sixty-eight cents.

The amendment was rejected.

By Alderman Edge,

"For the erection of a house for Hose Company No. 3, two thousand dollars."

The amendment was lost by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gafney, Nafew and Edge:

Yeas—Aldermen Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney and Nafew.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Earle, Ege, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

By Alderman Gaddis.

To amend Section 2d by inserting between the words "Finance Committee" and "of the Common Council" the words "or by resolution."

The amendment was adopted.

The blank in the first section of the ordinance was filled by inserting as the amount to be raised for taxes exclusive of a poll tax the sum of one hundred and forty-three thousand one hundred and nine dollars and ninety-eight cents,

The ordinance as amended was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, and McBride.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Earle Ege, Hankins, Kane, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Hough and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Earle, seconded by Alderman Hankins, the vote by which the ordinance was rejected was reconsidered.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the ordinance was laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, June 30, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Alderman Pangborn was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 23, 1863, and of the adjourned regular meeting of June 26, 1863, were read and approved.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the Committee on Streets present, requested the appointment of a member of the Board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Gafney was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

"Objections 65 to 69 both inclusive in the matter of opening of Montgomery street from C. F. Durant."

The reading was commenced, when on motion of Alderman Hankins the reading was stopped and the paper ordered to be returned to Mr. Durant on account of its disrespectful and objectionable language.

Official bond of Delos E. Culver as a City Surveyor, with John R. Halladay and Job Falkinburgh as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Official bond of Franklin J. Mallory as a city surveyor, with Delos E. Culver and William Keeney as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petitions of Robert Harriot and Adam Kerr for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Communication from Dennis Farrell, coroner, calling the attention of the Common Council to the necessity of setting some place apart for the reception of the dead bodies of persons found in the city, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Isaac Morrow and others for the abatement of nuisance existing on vacant lots situated on the north west corner of Warren and York streets, caused by stagnant water, &c.

On motion of Alderman Ege the petition was referred to the Committee on Public Health, with power.

Petition of William D. Hart and others to have granted to the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company permission to lay a track or turn out on the north side of Montgomery street near the corner and west of Hudson street, said track or turn out to be used by the Hoboken Horse Railroad Company as a stand or depot for receiving and discharging passengers.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Communication from the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company regarding their agreement with the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Petition of Patrick Dixon and others to have North First street from Provost street to Prospect street curbed, guttered, cross walk and side walk four feet wide laid on both sides of the street.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of James Lynch and others to have South Eighth street from the west side of Brunswick street to Mill Creek regulated to the established grade, curbed, guttered and the side walks flagged at least four feet wide.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Michael Mullone for the construction

of a lateral sewer in Greene street from a point 50 feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street, to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street with the necessary man holes, receiving basins, &c.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Conner, \$9 00; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; J. B. Haight, \$100 00; J. V. Hardenbergh, \$100 00; J. W. Harrison, \$9 05; Michael Killeen, \$12 00; Patrick Maden, \$7 50; C. C. Martindale, \$58 33; Hugh McFadden, \$35 00; Cornelius Murphy, \$60 00; Police Department, \$2031 53; John Ryan, \$6 25; J. P. Townsend, \$90 00; P. D. Vroom, \$50 00; Ward & McGown, \$268 24, and G. W. Whitley, \$10 00.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Conner, \$9 00; Patrick Garvey, \$24 00; Michael Killeen, \$12 00; Thomas Lawless, \$15 00; Patrick Maden, \$7 50; R. D. McClelland, \$200 00; James McDermott, \$17 75; G. W. Cassedy, \$100 00; Owen Rourke, \$11 25; John Ryan, \$7 50 and Patrick Tormey, \$18 00.

Claims of James F. Fielder, \$3,577 85; D. E. Culver, \$93 72, and Hugh Keenan, \$121 25 for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Canal street from Grove to Jersey street were presented, received and referred to the Committee on streets, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the reports of the committee on the same and said claims were reported correct. The reports were received and adopted, and the claims referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Scott, on charges preferred against him by Ald. William Daley, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Police.

A communication from the Comptroller setting forth that he has examined the vouchers of the City Treasurer for the months of January, February, March and April, 1863, and compared the same with the books of his department, and finds the same correct, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor the Mayor, June 26, 1863, of the ordinance passed June 16, 1863, entitled "an ordinance fixing salaries."

The report was received and ordered filed.

A certificate of D. E. Culver, City surveyor, of there being due to James F. Fielder the sum of one thousand three hundred and eighty-five dollars, in improvement certificates on account of his contract for improvement of Canal Street from Jersey avenue to Grove Street, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Streets.

The Annual report of the Board of Education was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery, with instructions to have the same printed in pamphlet form in connection with the Mayor's Message.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, June 16, 1863, the petition of C. F. Durant, for "correction of erroneous and unjust amount of

taxes imposed" upon his property for the years 1861 and 1862, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioner, and setting forth that the Common Council, some time since, adopted a rule that no remission of taxes after payment should be made, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred, June 2, 1863, the petition of Alexander McDonald and other licensed Junk Dealers, for the repeal of the ordinance passed May 26, 1863, entitled, "An ordinance in relation to the purchase and sale of Junk and vehicles for collecting the same," presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners and recommending that the price of the license of every additional junk wagon be increased to thirty dollars, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred, June 23, 1863, the petition of James Weldon, for a license to keep a junk shop, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That a license to keep a Junk Shop at No. 24, Railroad avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to James Weldon, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses and giving the required bond.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Hough and Pangborn.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred, June 23, 1863, the petition of James Harper for licenses to run two additional junk wagons, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution—

Resolved, That a license to run two additional wagons in Jersey City, be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to James Harper, licensed junk shop keeper, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and on motion of Ald. Nafew, the resolution was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Public health reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Health are hereby authorized to have the public pound in the Sixth ward repaired at a cost not to exceed — dollars.

The report was received; the blank in the resolution was filled with the word "thirty," and the resolution as amended was adopted.

The Committee on Public Health presented a report setting forth that the contract for removing dead animals, &c., expires July 1, 1863, and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Health are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals for a contract for one year to remove dead animals, blood, offal and other offensive matter from the streets of Jersey City.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Railroads to whom was referred June 9, 1863, the petition of Charles G. Sisson and others, owners of Meadow property along the Plank Road from Jersey street to Mill Creek, for an extension of the time for the removal of the railroad track in Grand street to the centre of said street, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Jersey City and Bergen

Horse Railroad Company be requested to straighten their track in front of the Slaughter House near Mill Creek, within the space of two weeks from the passage of this resolution.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gafney, Edge and Ege:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, McBride and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Hough and Pangborn.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred May 8, 1863, the petition of James M. Quinlan and others for improvement of Coles street, from South 2d street to North 2d street, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

(Alderman Pangborn appeared and took his seat.)

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS,

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Jacob Soney, \$19 50.

Referred to the Special Committee on funeral arrangements of Captain Gamble and Lieut. Howeth.

Of H. and G. Soule, \$22 18.

Referred to the Special Committee on official emblems.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., \$10 70, and Drayton & Durant, \$127 53.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of A. P. Rikeman, \$4 50, and E. F. C. Young, \$16 00.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of J. W. Harrison \$6 10, and Frederick Porrett, \$164 39.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., \$2 50, and Nathaniel Ellis, \$43 71.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of R. B. Earle & Co., \$6 63.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Charles Van Brunt, \$2 50.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Kane the subject of a sewer in South 7th street was taken from the table. The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Kane:

Resolved, That this Common Council do determine and declare that a main sewer ought to be built in South 7th street, from the present termination of the South 7th street sewer at Newark avenue, to a point fifty feet east of the easterly line of Brunswick street, with lateral sewers in Monmouth and South 8th streets, together with the necessary culverts and receiving basins, in accordance with the general plan of sewerage of the Board of Water Commissioners, as prayed for by James Walsh and others, and that the said Board be notified by the City Clerk of this determination and decision of the Common Council.

Alderman Pangborn moved that the whole matter be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, Drake and Gaddis.

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gafney, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Edge, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Hough.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gaddis :

Whereas, By resolution of this Common Council passed June 23d inst., authorizing the Committee on Finance to issue requisitions upon the Mayor, City Clerk and Comptroller for bonds amounting in all to 13,300 dollars for the purpose of taking up certain bonds past due and whereas the Jersey City Fire Department Fund Association hold one of these bonds dated February 3, 1858, and said Association desire to continue the investment of said money as heretofore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby authorized to issue a requisition upon the Mayor, City Clerk and Comptroller for a coupon bond for the sum of one thousand dollars, to be drawn in favor of the Fireman's Fund Association of the city of Jersey City, said bond to run twenty years from the passage of this resolution and to bear interest at seven per cent. per annum.

The preamble and resolution were referred to the Committee on Finance.

(Aldermen Cox, Decker and Drake obtained leave and retired)

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance, presented June 23, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz :

"An ordinance to alter the grade of Meadow street from the middle line of North 4th street to the north line of Pavonia avenue."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake and Hough.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted :

Resolved, That the Common Council convene at the City Hall to-morrow morning, July 1st, at nine o'clock, for the purpose of proceeding to the County farm, and that the Marshal be instructed to procure carriages to convey the members of the board to the depot.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Ege :

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it adjourn to meet on Friday evening next at 8 o'clock, to consider the tax ordinance.

The resolution was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Nafew.

(Alderman Gaddis and Earle obtained leave and retired.)

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Terry and adopted :

Whereas, The hose belonging to the city for the use of the fire department has for the past year been sent over to New York to be repaired and slushed at a large cost to the city when we have had fitted up a place at the alms house for that purpose. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to have the said hose of the city repaired and slushed at the alms house when practicable.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Terry and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to have the lanterns of street lamps repaired when they are out of order, and to procure new ones where necessary at a cost not to exceed one hundred dollars.

On motion of Alderman McBride the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, July 7, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Ege, Gaddis, Hough and McBride.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 30, 1863, were read and approved.

Alderman Decker being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present, requested the appointment of a member of the Board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Gafney was appointed.

Alderman Decker being the only member of the Committee on Finance present, requested the appointment of a member of the Board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Gafney was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

"Objections 70 to 74 both inclusive in the matter of opening of Montgomery street from C. F. Durant." Ordered filed.

Petition of Edwin S. Johnston, agent for J. S. Porter and Mary A. Buckman, for privilege of redeeming lots belonging to them sold to the city treasurer for unpaid assessments, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of William Ryan and others for the abatement of a nuisance caused by stagnant water upon the surface of lot No. 171 Morgan street, block No. 205, street No. 163, R. C. Bacot's map, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Robert H. Johnston for the remission of a fine imposed on him by the Recorder for violating a city ordinance.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Communication from Bernard McCarty charging John Crow, pound master, with giving away a hog impounded by him belonging to petitioner.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Remonstrance of John G. Curtis and others against the running of cars propelled by Dummy Engines by the Jersey City and Bergen railroad company within the corporate limits of Jersey City.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Petition of George C. Perry to have the sewer in Prospect street cleaned, &c.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Remonstrance of John Coar and others against the improvement of the south half of Grand street &c.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Drayton & Durant, \$127 53; R. B. Earle & Co., \$10 70, \$6 63 and \$2 50; Nathaniel Ellis, \$43 71; John W. Harrison, \$6 10; M. C. Smith, \$5; Jacob Soney, \$19 50; H. and G. Soule, \$22 18 and Charles Van Brunt, \$2 50.

A claim of Police Department \$1959 48 for services for June, 1863, was presented, received, referred to the Committee on Police, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the report of the committee on the same, and said claim was reported correct and ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing a communication received by him from Col. W. S. Rowland in reference to

raising and organizing forty companies of riflemen for the defence of the State.

The communications were received, and on motion of Alderman Pangborn referred to a special committee consisting of one Alderman from each ward.

The following were appointed the Committee:

Aldermen Decker, Edge, Terry, Pangborn, Gaddis and Kane.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Babbington, and Chancemen William Reen and Martin Ward, on charges preferred against them by the Chief of Police, was presented, received and referred to Committee on Police, with power, on motion of Alderman Edge.

A communication from the Collector of Revenue, enclosing a return of unpaid taxes for 1862, was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Decker, it was

Resolved, That the Collector of Revenue's return of delinquent tax-payers for the year 1862, be referred to the Committee on Finance, with power to advertise and sell according to law, the property described therein, and with power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of such sale, and with authority to suspend or adjourn the sale of the same or any part thereof.

The report of Michael McKone, Gauger and Inspector of domestic liquors, for three months ending June 24, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The annual report of the city physician of the Second Health District was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery, with instructions to have the same printed in pamphlet form in connection with the Mayor's Message.

A certificate of the Comptroller of the amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers and standing to the credit of the Board of Water Commissioners on the books in his office was presented, received and on motion of Alderman Decker it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Board of Water Commissioners for the sum of seventeen hundred dollars, being amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers and standing to the credit of said Board as appears by the certificate of the Comptroller presented this evening.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor the Mayor July, 1st, 1863, of the ordinance passed June 30, 1863, entitled "An ordinance to alter the grade of Meadow street from the middle line of North Fourth street to the north line of Pavonia avenue."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The following requisition was presented from the Board of Education:

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education held at their rooms on Monday evening, July 6, 1863, it was resolved by the votes of all the members present the yeas and nays having been taken that requisition be made upon the Common Council for the payment of the following claims:

Charles Scott, for repairs School No. 1.	\$	22	01
Edward Caulfield, do do		7	77
Japhet Jardine, do do		14	92
do do School No. 2.		20	83
Woolsey & Terry, do do		2	03
John Millar, do Schools Nos. 2 and 3.		30	26
Blakeman & Mason, books &c., School No. 2.		14	50
James Gopsill, Directories for Schools.		4	50
Washington Williams atty, quarter's rent colored school to July 31.		20	00

Board of Education for 3 months' salary of teachers for quarter ending 31st inst.

School No. 1.....	\$1418 75
School No. 2.....	1485 32
School No. 3.....	1018 51
Colored School.....	62 50— 3985 08
Clerk of the Board 3 months' salary..	12 50

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, July 7, 1863.

The requisition was received, and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition presented this evening from the Board of Education and for the amounts respectively named.

A Petition of John Crow and Peter Waggoner, pound masters, for the repeal of the ordinance passed October 14, 1862, amendatory to ordinance respecting dogs, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections and resignation in said department confirmed by the Fire Commissioners :

Elections of Marvin R. Palmer by Engine Co. No. 1, and William T. Collins by Engine Co. No. 3. Expulsion of Stephen Dougherty from Hose Co. No. 3.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

(Alderman Hankins obtained leave and retired.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance presented favorable reports on the following described official bonds heretofore referred to them, the following resolutions accompanying the reports :

Resolved, That the official bond of Franklin J. Mallory as a city surveyor, executed by him as principal, and by Delos E. Culver and William Keeney as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

Resolved, That the official bond of Delos E. Culver as a City Surveyor, executed by him as principal, and by John R. Halladay and Job Falkinburgh as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the Comptroller's office.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred, June 30, 1863, the preamble and resolution in reference to the issue of a bond to the Jersey City Fire Department Fund Association, reported the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, A bond issued in favor of the Jersey City Fire Department for one thousand dollars, was ordered paid out of certain monies borrowed on bond for a period of ten years, and

Whereas, The said Jersey City Fire Department desire to make loan to the City of said one thousand dollars, therefore

Resolved, That a bond of the City be issued for a term of ten years to the said Jersey City Fire Department, in the sum of one thousand dollars with interest at seven per cent.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Ego, Gaddis Hankins, Hough and McBride.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, the following resolutions accompanying the reports :

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Robert Harriot, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Adam Kerr on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred June 30, 1863, the communication from his Honor the Mayor announcing the suspension from duty of policeman Scott on charges preferred against him by Aid Daley, presented a report thereon setting forth that they gave the party interested a hearing, and have suspended him from duty for eight days from the date of the Mayor's communication.

The report was received and the action of the Committee approved and concurred in.

The Committee on Printing and Stationery presented a report submitting two sealed proposals received by them in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to print and bind in pamphlet form, three hundred copies of the Mayor's Annual Message, and reports of city officers, &c., the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from A. Hardenbergh and Davidson & Headlam.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Decker and adopted :

Resolved, That the two proposals reported at this meeting by the Committee on Printing and Stationery, opened and read for the contract to print and bind in pamphlet form and deliver complete, three hundred copies of the Mayor's Annual Message, and the reports of city officers, be referred to the Committee on Printing and Stationery, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest bidder, if the Committee deem it to the interests of the City so to do.

The Committee on Public Health, who were authorized, by resolution passed June 9, 1863, to lease from James S. Noyes for the year ending May 1, 1864, at a rent of one hundred dollars, the sheds on Newark Avenue in the Sixth Ward, for the purpose of a Public Pound, presented a report thereon setting forth that the Committee have leased the premises according to the terms of said resolution. The report was received and ordered filed.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Matthew Erwin, \$85 59; Japhet Jardine, \$2 95 and E. L. Smith & Co., \$200.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of John Egan, \$2 50; J. W. Harrison, \$10 38; Japhet Jardine, \$16 58; Peter Lynch, \$37; O Conner & Pearson, \$12 40, \$9 33 and \$4 65.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. F. Richardson, \$23 25.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of E. C. Frazier, \$3 and John H. Lyon, \$251 79.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Japhet Jardine, \$12 18.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Coar, \$19; John Egan, \$36 59 and Peter Waggoner, \$53.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of William Conner \$9; Patrick Garvey, \$12; Michael Killeen, \$12; Thomas Lourke, \$7 50; Patrick Madden, \$7 50; Owen O. Rourke, \$7 50; John Ryan, \$7 50, and Patrick Torney, \$9.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn, the action of the Common Council had June 30, 1863, referring to the Committee on Railroads, the petition of Wm. D. Hart and others, in reference to a track or turn out on the north side of Montgomery street near Hudson street, &c., was reconsidered.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the petition was laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Pangborn:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad company to lay a track or turn out of iron rails in Montgomery street, north side, and near Hudson street, the same to be used as a standing place for the cars of the Hoboken and Jersey City Horse Railroad company.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Pangborn, Nafew and Decker:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Kane, Nafew Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Duff, Earle, Edge and Gafney.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough and McBride.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be and are hereby authorized and instructed to cause a nuisance of standing water in the box sewer under the railroad track at the junction of Grand and Barrow streets to be immediately abated.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Decker:

Resolved, That for the purpose of providing means for the renewal of a city bond of \$10,000, now past due, as well as for the payment of interest salaries of officers, police requisitions of the Board of Education and current expenses of the city government, the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow the sum of thirty thousand dollars, with interest, at the rate of six per cent. per annum to issue their requisition upon the Mayor and City Clerk for a bond of the city (old term) said bond to be dated July 8, 1863, with interest at the rate of six per cent., payable December 20, 1863.

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to sign the same, with the City Clerk, who shall attach the seal of the city thereto.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough and McBride.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the special committee appointed last year on monument, &c., in soldiers' burial lots in New York Bay Cemetery be reappointed and requested to carry out the resolution of the Common Council in that matter.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for four hundred dollars in favor of the Special Committee on the celebration of the 4th of July, to be accounted for by them to this board.

On motion of Alderman Kane, the following entitled ordinance, presented June 2, 1863, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Licenses, viz:

"An ordinance amendatory to an ordinance passed May 26, 1863, and approved May 23, 1863, entitled 'An ordinance in relation to the purchase and sale of junk and vehicles for collecting the same.'"

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1, 1864, exclusive of a poll tax, was taken from the table for consideration.

The ordinance was again laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Gafney.

(Alderman Edge obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Alderman Decker, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be instructed to have the sewer in Wayne Street, and the lateral in Prospect Street, cleaned without delay and put in order.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to make the necessary arrangements to issue through the newspapers a call to the citizens of Jersey City to illuminate their houses in honor of our recent glorious victories.

Aldermen Pangborn, Nafew and Drake were appointed the committee.

On motion of Alderman Gafney, it was

Resolved, That when this board adjourns, it will adjourn to meet on Tuesday evening next the 14th inst., at 8 o'clock, to consider and pass the tax ordinance.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That the Special Committee appointed this evening to request the citizens to illuminate their houses, be authorized to illuminate the City Hall and Station House.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday July 14, 1863, at 8 o'clock p.m.

In the absence of the City Clerk on motion of Alderman McBride, Alderman Earle was appointed clerk pro tempore.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Aldermen Edge and Hankins were absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Gaddis Hough and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1st, 1864, exclusive of a poll tax was taken from the table for consideration.

The ordinance was considered and amendments were proposed and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman McBride—

"For street repairs, two thousand five hundred dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Terry—

"For lighting the streets, twelve thousand five hundred dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Earle—

"For the support of alms house, six thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Terry—

"For support of fire department, seven thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Decker—

"For public schools, sixteen thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Ege—

"For legal expenses, one thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Ege—

"For printing, advertising and corporation printer's salary, four thousand dollars."

Alderman Earle moved to amend the amendment by making the appropriation three thousand five hundred dollars.

The amendment to the amendment was lost.

The amendment of Alderman Ege was adopted.

(Aldermen Hankins and Edge appeared and took their seats).

By Alderman Ege—

"Towards the payment of deficiency for the year 1860, five thousand dollars."

The amendment was adopted.

By Alderman Edge—

"For the erection of a house for Hose Company, No. 3, two thousand dollars."

The amendment was lost.

Alderman Edge moved that the vote by which the appropriation for support of Fire Department was fixed at seven thousand dollars be reconsidered.

The motion was lost.

The blank in the first section of the ordinance was filled by inserting as the amount to be raised for taxes, exclusive of a poll tax, the sum of one hundred and twenty-four thousand seven hundred and fifty-two dollars and thirty cents.

The ordinance as amended was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Edge and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Gaddis, Hough and Pangborn.

Alderman McBride, by request of His Honor the Mayor, presented a communication received by him from John Taylor Johnston, President of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, in reference to the extension of their railroad to Jersey City, &c.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride.

Resolved, That the communication received this evening from John Taylor Johnston, President of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey in relation to the terminus of their road in the cove at the south side of the city, be referred to a special committee to be composed of Aldermen Broking, Decker, McBride and the President of the Board, to confer with the officers of the Central Railroad Company, and report to this Board at the earliest practicable opportunity.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the resolution was amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the communication received this evening from John Taylor Johnston, President of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey in relation to the terminus of their road in the cove at the south side of the city, be referred to a special committee consisting of one Alderman from each Ward and the President of the Board, to confer with the officers of the Central Railroad Company, and report to this Board at the earliest practicable opportunity.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The following were appointed the Committee:—Aldermen Hankins, Decker, McBride, Nafew, Gaddis and Broking.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the Board then adjourned.

THOS. EARLE, Clerk pro tem.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday July 21st, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p.m.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Hough and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 7th inst., and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 14th inst., were read and approved.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the Committee on Streets present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Gafney was appointed.

Alderman Decker being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Gaddis was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc. were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

"Objections 75 to 82 both inclusive from C. F. Durant in the matter of opening of Montgomery street."

Ordered filed.

"Objections 83 and 84 from C. F. Durant in the matter of opening of Montgomery street."

Ordered filed.

Communication from Edward Evans, D. S. Manner and P. H. Zabriskie, riparian or shore owners on the south side of Jersey City, asking the Common Council to take such measures as will prevent their property from being encroached upon, &c.

Referred to the Special Committee on Central Railroad communication.

Petition of Peter McElroy, licensed junk dealer, to have his license transferred from corner of Railroad avenue and Brunswick street to No. 345 South 8th street in the Sixth ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Thomas Ward and others for the abatement of a nuisance existing on lot No. 55 Bright street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Nathaniel Marsh, President of the Long Dock Company and others, owners of all the property on Prospect street between Pavonia avenue and North Seventh street, to have the grade of said portion of Prospect street altered so as to conform to a diagram accompanying the application.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of John McGraw and others to have Green street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street filled in to the established grade, paved, curbed, guttered, and side walks flagged four feet wide, &c.

Referred to the Corporation attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the Board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz :

Of William Conner \$9 00, John Crow \$9 50, John Egan \$36 59 and \$2 50, Matthew Erwin \$85 59, E. C. Frayzer \$3 00, Patrick Garvey \$12 00, J. W. Harrison \$10 38, Japhet Jardine \$16 53 \$12 18 and \$2 95, Michael Killeen \$12 00, Thomas Lawless \$7 50, J. H. Lyon \$251 79, Peter Lynch \$37 00, Patrick Maden \$7 50, O'Connor & Pearson, \$12 40, \$9 33 and \$1 65, Owen O'Rourke \$7 50, Frederick Porrett \$154 39, J. F. Richardson \$23 25, A. P. Rikeman \$4 50, John Ryan \$7 50, R. L. Smith \$200 00, Patrick Tormey \$9 00, Peter Waggoner \$26 50, and E. F. C. Young \$16 00.

The following claims and accounts were present-

ed, received, referred to their appropriate Committees, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of John Coar, \$358 63; William Coleman, \$35 75; William Conner, \$18; D E Culver, \$19 25 and 14 33; Patrick Garvey, \$24; H A Greene, \$6; J V Hardenbergh, \$100; J B Haight, \$100; Michael Killeen, \$24; Thomas Lawless, \$15; Mrs C Lynch, \$6; Patrick Maden, \$15; C C Martin-dale, \$58 34; S C McLaughlin, \$125; T F Morris, \$50; J D Nolan, \$200, Owen O Rourke, \$15; G W Cassedy, \$166 68 and \$50; Catharine Rafferty, \$6; Hugh Reilly, \$24 75; John Ryan; \$15; J W Schanck, \$15; Patrick Tormey, \$18; P D Vroom, \$50, and William Whitley, \$175.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Philo L Snow, on charges preferred against him by the Chief of Police, was presented, received and on motion of Alderman Edge referred to the Committee on Police, with power.

The following communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
JERSEY CITY, July 21, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council :

The General Government, as your Honorable body are aware, have ordered in some of the States a draft of men, alleged to be necessary in the present emergency. No such order has yet, as I am informed, been communicated in reference to the State of New Jersey, but apprehensions are felt that the same may shortly be issued: I am further informed that his Excellency the Governor has already taken measures to modify the order, with the consent of the Government, so as to permit the volunteer system heretofore pursued in this State to be substituted for the contemplated conscription:

Very many influential and respectable citizens have urged me to request that immediate action should be taken on the part of the municipal authorities to effectuate the result above mentioned (in case the same should be conceded), by offering a bounty for volunteers who would be willing to enlist, or by pursuing such course as may tend to adjust the difficulty and bring about the end desired. The records of preceding Boards, as precedents, display great liberality in this respect, and their efforts were crowned with success. I therefore recommend, at their instigation, the subject for your early consideration.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor,

The communication was received and on motion of Alderman Earle referred to a Special Committee of three.

Aldermen Earle, Gaddis and Gafney were appointed the committee.

The City Clerk laid before the board the following communication from his honor the Mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 17th inst., and the same was read, received and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the Common Council :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }
CITY HALL, JERSEY CITY, }
July 18, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council :

On the 12th day of April, 1861, a resolution was passed by the Common Council giving "their consent to the railroad track of the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company in Grand street being laid as it then was, to which was annexed a clause providing, that the said track should be made to

conform to the ordinance authorizing the track to be laid when the common council should require it."

The resolution passed by your honorable body of the 7th inst., giving permission to the same company to lay a track or turn-out of iron rails in Montgomery street, north side and near Hudson street, is guarded by no such clause whatever.—The turn-out (if laid) will be constructed on the most travelled avenue of Jersey City, and in a locality worthy of as much consideration so far as regards the legislation of the city as any within its limits. At certain hours of the day the street is nearly impassable in consequence of the throng of vehicles passing to and from the ferry and from each side of Hudson street.

Great caution should therefore be exercised in suffering an additional and permanent obstruction to the street. There is ample room on Exchange Place (which cannot be considered other than a continuation of Montgomery street) for such a convenience as the company desire, and I think that propriety would indicate that the turnout should there be placed.

These considerations have impelled me to return the resolution last referred to without my approval, believing that the safe guards which should have protected the citizens have been in the haste generally attendant upon such legislation inadvertently omitted.

Should your Honorable Body see fit to grant such permission as an experiment and not as a permanent right, I would have no objections, provided the resolution was not unqualified, but contain a provision that the same should be removed within a reasonable time to be designated after notice to the company, and that in default of such removal your Honorable Body might at your option cause the same to be removed, and that the company should accept the terms upon which such consent should be granted before the said resolution should go into effect.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

Alderman Gaddis moved,

"That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor."

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken: Yea—Alderman Drake.

Nays—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Hough and Pangborn. A communication from His Honor the Mayor announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Bernard Harney on charges preferred against him by Mr. John Geraghty for use of insulting language while on duty, was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Edge referred to the Committee on Police with power.

An estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of building a lateral sewer in Greene street, &c., as petitioned for by Michael Mullone, June 30, 1863, was presented, received and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

An estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of building a receiving basin and culvert on the north-east corner of South 8th and Prospect streets, as petitioned for by Alfred Berney was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners in reference to the petition referred to said board June 16, 1863, of Abram S. Jewell and others for a main sewer in York street, from Jersey avenue to the Hudson river with laterals, &c., was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication from the Registrar of the

Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancellation of sale of certain lots erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1861, was presented, received, and referred to Committee on Finance.

A certificate from the Comptroller of the amount collected by the city on account of military tax for the fiscal year 1862, subject to draft on the order of the common council, was presented, received and referred to Committee on Finance.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have the roadway of Prospect street from Pavonia Avenue to North Seventh street, filled to the established grade and paved with Belgian pavement, and the side walks (where not already done) filled, curbed, guttered, and flagged four feet wide."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have the south half of the roadway of Grand street, from Grove Street to Barrow street, filled to the established grade, regulated and paved, and the side-walks on the south side of Grand Street where required, refilled to the established grade and the flagging reset."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application on the 9th June, 1863, by George Duncan, for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal Streets, to connect with the Sewer in Grove Street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred on the 7th inst. the petition of Edwin S. Johnston agent for J. S. Porter and Mary A. Buckman, for privilege of redeeming certain lots belonging to them sold to the city treasurer for unpaid assessments, presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the privilege is hereby granted to Edwin S. Johnston, agent for J. S. Porter and Mary A. Buckman, to redeem lots Nos. 60, 61, and 62 South 4th street in block 201 from the sale made February 21, 1861, to the city treasurer for assessment for regulating Coles street from South 4th street to South 2d street, provided the redemption be made in the same manner as though the time for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter a list of property still unredeemed sold October 10, 1861, for unpaid assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred July 7, 1863, with power, the communication of his Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Chancemea William Reen and Martin Ward on charges preferred against them by the Chief of Police, presented a report thereon setting forth that they have investigated the charges and are of opinion that the suspension they have already undergone is sufficient punishment for their offences, and the committee have reinstated them in their positions.

The report was received and the action of the Committee approved and concurred in.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred July 7, 1863, with power, the communication of his Honor the Mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Babbington, on charges preferred against him by the Chief of Police, presented a report thereon setting forth that the com-

mittee have investigated the charges and have decided that said policeman remain suspended from duty for twelve days from the date of the Mayor's communication.

The report was received and the action of the committee approved and concurred in.

The Committee on Police presented a report recommending the confirmation of Edward McWilliams, Louis Shaffer, William Devine and Martin Connolly as chance policemen, the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That this board now go into an election for four chance policemen.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

Whereupon a balloting was had on each nomination which resulted as follows:

Aldermen Hankins and Decker were appointed and acted as tellers:

Edward McWilliams received eleven votes.

Four blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of Edward McWilliams as a chance policeman was declared confirmed.

Louis Shaffer received eleven votes.

Martin Ward received one vote.

Three blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of Louis Shaffer as a chance policeman was declared confirmed.

William Devine received nine votes.

Six blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of William Devine as a chance policeman was declared not confirmed.

Martin Connolly received seven votes.

May received one vote.

William Devine received two votes.

Daniel Geraghty received one vote.

Harney received one vote.

Three blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of Martin Connolly as a chance policeman was declared not confirmed.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred, June 30, 1863, the petition of W. J. Hadden, Isaac Morrow and others, for the abatement of a nuisance caused by vacant lots at the northwest corner of York and Warren Streets, covered with stagnant water, &c., presented a report thereon recommending that the petitioners should at once proceed to make application to have said lots filled so far as they think would effectually abate the nuisance.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred, July 7, 1863, the petition of Peter Waggoner and John Crow, Pound masters, for the repeal of the supplementary ordinance passed October 14, 1862, respecting dogs, presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred, July 7, 1863, the petition of Robert H. Johnston, for the remission of a fine imposed on him by the Recorder on complaint of John Crow, Pound master, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the fine imposed on Robert H. Johnston by the Recorder, for an alleged violation of a city ordinance, be remitted.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Health presented a report submitting three sealed proposals received by them in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to remove dead animals, &c., the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to

be from Cornelius Murphy, Patrick Meer and Jacob Gineder.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted:

Resolved, That the three proposals, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Public Health, opened and read, for the contract to remove from the city limits during the period of one year all dead animals, blood, offal, bones and all other refuse matter lying in the streets, avenues, alley ways, or in any vacant lot in Jersey City or which may be found lying in the water along the shore of said city, be referred to the Committee on Public Health with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the Corporation Attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Public Health for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred June 16, 1863, the petition of George Duncan for a receiving basin and culvert on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal streets and the estimate of the board of water commissioners of the cost of said basin, &c., presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, On the 9th day of June, 1863, an application was made to the common council of Jersey City for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal streets, to connect with the sewer in Grove street, and notice for objections to the same having been duly published and the time for a hearing appointed, and whereas, no objections to the construction of said receiving basin and culvert have been made or presented. Therefore,

Resolved, That a receiving basin and culvert be constructed on the northwesterly corner of Grove and Canal streets to connect with the sewer in Grove street and that the city clerk is hereby directed to notify the board of water commissioners of this decision and determination of the common council.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafaey, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nasew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Hough and Pangborn.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred May 8, 1863, the petition of T. Schnitzer and others to have South 7th street, from Brunswick street to Newark avenue, regulated, paved, &c., presented a report thereon submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table and printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance for regulating and paving South 7th street between the easterly line of Brunswick street and the southerly line of Newark avenue."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

Alderman McBride from the Committee on Streets presented the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to establish the grade of South 8th street from the centre of Brunswick street to the westerly city line."

The ordinance was received, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

Alderman McBride from the Committee on Streets presented a contract executed by John Coar for cleaning the streets, &c, and a bond executed by John Coar with John Corrigan and John Geraghty as sureties for the fulfillment of the contract, and on motion of Alderman McBride it was

Resolved, That the contract presented this evening executed by John Coar for cleaning streets be approved and executed on the part of the city by his Honor the Mayor and City Clerk under its corporate seal, and that the bond presented therewith executed by John Coar, as principal, and by John Corrigan and John Geraghty as sureties, for the fulfillment of said contract be approved and filed in the Comptroller's office together with the contract when executed.

Alderman McBride from the Committee on Streets presented a "plan of grades in South 8th street from the centre of Brunswick street to the westerly city line," and the same was received and ordered filed in the City Clerk's office.

Alderman McBride from the Committee on Streets presented the following entitled ordinance, viz :

"An ordinance to alter the grade of Prospect street between Pavonia avenue and North Seventh street."

The ordinance was received, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS,

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Joseph G. Edge, \$150. Referred to the Special Committee on Reception of 21st Regiment, N. J. V.

Of Joseph G. Edge, \$110. Referred to the Special Committee on illumination, &c.

Of Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co., \$38 48; R. B. Kashow, \$7 14; and William Mitchell \$22 18. Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Benjamin Beyea, \$12 79; Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co., \$131; J. W. Harrison \$11 80 and \$6 23, and R. B. Kashow, \$3. Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co. \$1809 29, and James P. Townsend, \$90. Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co., \$99 38, and R. B. Kashow \$14. Referred to Committee on Police.

Of R. B. Kashow, \$159 02, \$74 80, \$55 96, \$17, \$5 50, \$2 50, \$1 50 and \$1 50; John H. Lyon, \$183 07. Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co., \$63 78 David Garrett, \$77 50; R B Kashow, \$2 50; S C McLaughlin, \$4; John Pringle, \$2 75, and J A Reynolds \$10.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of R B Kashow, \$11 66.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Gaddis:

Resolved, That the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company are hereby authorized to lay a turn out on the north side of Montgomery street from the west side of Hudson street to a point two hundred feet west of Hudson street, said turn out to be laid only during the pleasure of the common council.

Resolved, That the common council hereby reserve the right at any time to order the removal of

said turn out upon giving thirty days notice to the said Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Co. to remove the same and if the said Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad company neglect or refuse to remove said turn out after having been notified as above, then the common council may order said turn out to be removed forthwith.

Alderman Earle moved to amend the resolutions by substituting the following :

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company to lay a turnout of iron rails in Exchange Place in such part of said street as the said company may select, and said permission is given upon the express condition that said company will, in case this Common Council shall so direct, take up said turnout and restore the pavement to its present state, said turnout to be used for the cars of Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company.

The amendment was rejected by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gafney, Edge and Hankins :

Yeas—Aldermen Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, and McBride.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Edge, Gaddis, Kane, Nafew, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Hough and Pangborn. The resolutions of Alderman Gaddis were adopted. by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, McBride and Edge:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Edge, Gaddis, Kane, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Hough and Pangborn. The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Licenses be instructed to require persons licensed for peddling fish, fruit and vegetables, to have their names and places of residence on their wagons.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Gaddis, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz : "A supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance prescribing the duties and regulating the compensation of the inspector and sealer of weights and measures."

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet on Friday, the 24th inst., at 8 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of receiving and acting on a report of the Special Committee appointed on the 14th inst. on the communication of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Hankins :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to procure for the use of engine Co. No. 5 a steam fire engine of the latest improved make at a cost not to exceed thirty-five hundred dollars, and be it further

Resolved, That the said Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to dispose of the old engine now in use by the above company to the best advantage, and apply the proceeds of the same in part payment for the above steam fire engine, and the balance of the cost of said steam fire engine to be taken from the license fund.

The resolutions were laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Nafew.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Terry :

Resolved, That the resolution passed on the 7th inst., ordering a warrant to be drawn in favor of the special committee on the celebration of the

Fourth of July be and the same is hereby rescinded.

The resolution was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Nafew.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Terry and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on public health be requested to take legal measures to have the nuisance now existing at the corner of York and Warren streets abated.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Friday, July 24, 1863, at 8 o'clock P M.

In the absence of the City Clerk, on motion of Alderman Terry, Alderman Earle was appointed Clerk pro tempore.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Earle, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Hough, Kane and Pangborn.

The Special Committee appointed July 14, 1863, and to whom was referred at that time the communication from the Central Railroad Company in reference to the extension of their road to Jersey City, &c, presented a report setting forth that the committee had conferred with the President of said Railroad who fully explained the purposes and projects of the said company; that among said purposes is the projection of their road from

their present piling in the south cove in an easterly direction so as to strike the present west pier of the south basin of the Morris Canal Company about 150 feet north of the southerly pier of said basin, and the establishment of the termination of their road at the southeasterly corner of Jersey City near the present said south basin, &c.; the report recommending the adoption of a number of propositions &c; the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That an agreement be drawn between the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey and the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City relative to the driving of piles and the laying of tracks of the said company upon or through the land, under water, in the cove on the south side of the city upon the basis of the proposition contained in the report hereto annexed, provided the said company within the space of eight days signify their acceptance thereof.

The report was received.

Alderman Earle moved that the report and resolution be laid upon the table and printed in the minutes.

The motion was lost.

After some discussion on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That the report and resolution be laid upon the table and printed on slips for the use of the Board.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the Board then adjourned.

THOS. EARLE,
Clerk pro tempore.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Wednesday July 29, 1863, at 8 o'clock, p. m.

In the absence of the City Clerk, on motion of Alderman McBride, Alderman Earle was appointed clerk pro tempore.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Edge, Hough, Nafew and Pangborn.

The call of the meeting was read by the clerk pro tempore, and is as follows:

HON. JOHN B. ROMAR, Mayor Jersey City—

Dear Sir:—You are hereby requested to call a special meeting of the Common Council to-morrow night, Wednesday, July 29th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing and acting on the report of the Committee appointed July 21st, to whom was referred His Honor the Mayor's Message relative to bounties for volunteers.

THOS. EARLE,
A. A. GADDIS,
THOS. GAFNEY.

Jersey City, July 28th, 1863.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, July 29, 1863. }

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Esq., City Clerk—

Dear Sir:—You will please issue notice for a special meeting of the Common Council, to be held in their Chamber at the City Hall, on Wednesday evening, the 29th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing and acting on report of Special Committee appointed July 21st, on communication of Mayor in reference to bounties for volunteers.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred, July 21st, 1863, the communication of His Honor the Mayor in reference to raising volunteers, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City will pay to each volunteer to the number of the quota of this city, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars at the time of his being mustered into the service of the United States.

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be requested to report to this Common Council the best means of raising the necessary amount of money to meet the requirement of the above resolution.

Resolved, That a committee of one from each ward be appointed to superintend the opening of recruiting offices, and other matters connected therewith, and said committee are hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding Six Hundred Dollars.

The report was received.

After some discussion on motion of Alderman Gafney the Board took a recess of five minutes to give to citizens present an opportunity to express their views on the subject.

On the reassembling of the Board the resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke; and Aldermen Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Terry,

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Edge, Hough, Nafew and Pangborn.

The President appointed the following as the Committee: Aldermen Gaddis, Earle, Gafney, Ege, Nafew and Kane.

Alderman Earle asked to be excused from serving on the committee for the reason that he was going out of the city to be gone during the month of August.

His request was granted and Alderman Decker was appointed in his stead.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned,

THOS. EARLE,
Clerk pro tempore.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, August 4, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m.
Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Natew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 21st, of the adjourned regular meeting of July 24th and of the special meeting of July 29th, 1863, were read and approved.

PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of B. O. Edge for an assignment to him of declarations of sale of lots 4 to 16 inclusive, block 13, and triangle at bridge marked W on V. V. Township map, sold to the City Treasurer September 6th, 1861, for taxes of 1860. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of F. Morris, to have cancelled sale of certain property belonging to him, erroneously returned by the Collector of Arrears of Taxes, and sold for taxes of 1860. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Smith Mead and John Geraghty a Committee in behalf of Hose Company No. 4, asking the Common Council to purchase their Hose Carriage, the same being the property of the Company, &c. Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of David Crocheron for a license as a city Auctioneer. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Thomas Haley for a license as a hack driver. Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Patrick McMahon to be appointed a Policeman. Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of Hudson County Artillery to have their arsenal in Sussex street repaired. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Communication from John Crow, Pound Master, setting forth that in consequence of the Public Pound having been destroyed by fire, he has rented a place for a Pound until the Common Council shall take some action for the rebuilding of the one destroyed. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Richard C. Sherman and others for the abatement of a nuisance caused by vacant lots Nos. 175, 176, 177, 178 and 179, in block No. 207, as known on Bacot's map, covered with stagnant water. Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Remonstrance of the Morris Canal and Banking Company against the arrangement proposed to be made between the city and the Central Railroad Company.

Referred to the special Committee on Central Railroad communication.

Objections 85 to 91 from C. F. Durant in the matter of opening of Montgomery street.

Ordered filed on motion of Alderman Gaddis.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Benjamin Beyea, \$12 79; Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Co., \$18 90 29, \$131, \$99 38, \$63 78 and \$38 48; David Garrett, \$77 50; J W Harrison \$11 80 and \$6 23; R B Kashow, \$159 02, \$74 80, \$55 96, \$17, \$14, \$11 66, \$7 14, \$5 50, \$3, \$2 50, \$2 50, \$1 50 and \$1 50; J H Lyon, \$183 07; S C McLaughlin, \$4; William Mitchell, \$22 18; J A Reynolds, \$10 and J P Townsend, \$90.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz: Of John Coar \$358 63,

William Conner \$18 00, William Doherty \$200 00, Nathaniel Ellis \$83 33 and \$50 22, Patrick Garvey \$24 00, James Gopsill \$37 50, Michael Killen \$24 00, Thomas Lawless \$15 00, Mr. C. Lynch \$6 00, J. H. Lyon \$200 00, Patrick Maden \$15 00, R. D. McClelland \$100 00, James McDermott \$131 25, Owen O'Rourke \$15 00, Police Department \$2 05 94; Mrs. Ra'erty, \$6; Patrick Ryan \$15; and Patrick Torney \$18

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication from His Honor, the Mayor, was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman McBride ordered to be entered in the minutes.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
CITY HALL, JERSEY CITY,
July 27, 1863.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have never, since becoming the Executive Officer of the city government, signed any official paper with the same reluctance as I experienced in approving the Tax Ordinance recently passed by your honorable body.

A difficulty to my mind, insuperable in its character, impelled me to pursue the course which I have adopted. The embarrassment which would have been the necessary consequence to the finances of the city, by reason of the great delay, which must have ensued upon a disapproval, being the sole ground for such a course. It would have been impracticable to have had another ordinance go into effect by the time of the meeting of the Assessors for the purpose of fixing the quota of tax to be levied.

In my annual message I particularly called the attention of your honorable body to the establishment of a County Alms House, for which our citizens would incur a tax quite as large, and I am now informed, larger than the appropriation usually made for the support of the poor of the city under the management which had theretofore been adopted. I well know that the change was not satisfactory to your honorable body, and I myself opposed, with unceasing fidelity, a measure fraught as I believed with injustice to our city. But the change has been made—the taxation will be imposed—regrets are useless—and, notwithstanding, the appropriation in the ordinance above referred to, is only one thousand dollars less than that contained in the ordinance of the current year last past. Under the circumstances I can but regard such legislation as most extraordinary. Our citizens will scarcely submit to a double imposition of tax for the same purpose without murmurings, deep and loud. The assessment for the support of the County Alms House will be not much less (speaking from information) than \$8,000, (not including our proportion of investment with interest thereon) added to which, the assessment aforesaid would make the remarkable figures of \$14,000 for the support of a department which has hitherto cost very little more than half that sum.

I call your serious, undivided and calm consideration to the importance of this matter, trusting that a faithful discharge of duty in the premises will be the result attained.

We have already been compelled to pay our proportion of the expenses for the erection of the county building and the land on which it stands, and shall be compelled to furnish our quota for its support. To what end all this, if we obstinately refuse to reap any advantage from such expense. I am clearly of opinion, that the poor of our city or such of them as are supported in the City Alms House, should be at once transferred to that establishment by the county authorities.

It will doubtless be necessary to have a depot in Jersey City, where the indigent can be temporarily relieved, but the expense attendant upon such a temporary asylum, as well as for the assistance

rendered the out door poor, would be but a small part of the amount appropriated. I would therefore recommend the passage of a resolution at once, transferring the poor as above described, and further resolving, that the portion of the sum appropriated and not expended, should go in liquidation of the fund, commonly known as the "deficiency fund," heretofore created.

Whilst having the ordinance under consideration, I was informed by individual members of your honorable body, that they did not expect that the appropriation would be expended, but that inasmuch as this was the incipient year of the change, considerable margin should be left, in order to guard against unforeseen contingencies. There is certainly plausibility in such an argument, but I think that a far less margin would have answered the purpose quite as effectually.

I close by repeating my serious hope that such an arrangement may be speedily made as is consistent with the high and responsible duties of gentlemen acting in a fiduciary as well as representative capacity.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor,

The report of the City Treasurer for the month of July, 1863, showing a balance in the treasury July 31, 1863, of \$11,867 87 was presented, received and ordered filed.

The City Clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor, the Mayor, July 18, 1863, of the ordinance passed July 14, 1863, entitled "An ordinance for the assessment of an annual tax for the year ending May 1st, 1864, exclusive of a poll tax." The report was received and ordered filed.

The City Attorney to whom was referred July 21, 1863, the petition of John McGraw and others, for improvement of Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, who were requested by resolution passed July 29, 1863, to report the best means of raising the necessary amount of money to pay the bounties to volunteers, &c., presented a report submitting the following resolutions in relation thereto:

Resolved, That for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the resolution to pay to each volunteer to the number of the quota of this city the sum of two hundred dollars at the time of his being mustered into the service of the United States, which said resolution was passed July 29, 1863, and approved by his honor the mayor July 31, 1863, the Finance Committee of this common council be and are hereby authorized to borrow such a sum of money as may be required for the purpose expressed in the resolution referred to, upon the passage of resolutions from time to time as the money may be required, authorizing the said Finance Committee to issue their requisitions upon the mayor, city clerk, comptroller and city treasurer for coupon bonds bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, to be drawn for such amounts and for such periods as the common council may authorize.

Resolved, That the Committee on Laws and Ordinances be requested to prepare the draft of a bill to legalize the issue of the bonds named in these resolutions, and that said committee be instructed to procure if possible the passage of said bill by the Legislature at its next session.

On motion of Alderman Ege the report was amended so as to make the period for which the bonds are to be issued twenty and forty years.

On motion of Alderman McBride the second resolution was amended by striking out the words "procure if possible," and inserting in their place

the word "urge."

The report as amended was adopted.

The resolutions as amended were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow the sum of thirty thousand dollars on account of the Jersey City Bounty Fund of 1863, and to issue a requisition upon the mayor, city clerk, comptroller, and city treasurer for Coupon Bonds not exceeding said amount with interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually; said bonds to be drawn payable twenty years from the date of their issue. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins, and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance to was referred June 23, 1863, the communication from His Honor, the mayor, recommending the transfer of certain monies raised for soldiers, bounties to the general treasury of the city, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, During the month of August, 1862, the sum of sixty-nine thousand dollars was borrowed on bonds of the city for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers, and

Whereas, Of the above stated sum of sixty-nine thousand dollars there remains unexpended the sum of two thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars. Therefore

Resolved, That the comptroller and treasurer be and are hereby instructed to place to the credit of the Jersey City bounty fund the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, the same to be in part payment of city bond No. 182, issued to the Hudson County Bank for the sum of forty-five hundred dollars on account of Jersey City bounty fund, said bond having become due and paid July 25, 1863.

Resolved, That the remaining sum of three hundred and fifty dollars be placed to the credit of the general fund to be used in the payment of the current expenses of the city government.

The report was received and the preamble and resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred July 21, 1863, the certificate of the comptroller of amount collected by the city on account of military tax, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the Hudson brigade for the sum of two hundred and fifty-one dollars and fifty cents being amount collected by the city on account of military tax for the fiscal year 1862.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, July 21, 1863, the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners requesting the cancellation of sale of certain lots erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1861, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sale made April 3, 1863, for water rents of 1861, of part 30 South 5th street in block 245, and part 30 South 5th street in block 245, assessed to Hiram Gilbert, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, for the reason that the water rents due thereon were paid at the office of the Water Commissioners, and erroneously returned as unpaid, and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the purchaser, Charles F. Wrecks, for the purchase money, and interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from the date of sale, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk, for cancelling the declarations of sale of said parts of lots.

Resolved, That the sale made April 3, 1863, for water rents of 1861, of lot 8 or 327 (street number) South 8th street, in block 383, assessed to R. Edmundson, be cancelled of record by the city clerk for the reason that the water rents due thereon were paid at the office of the Water Commissioners, and erroneously returned as unpaid, and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the purchaser, Mrs. L. E. Walker, for the purchase money, and interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from the date of sale, and be delivered to her on surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot. The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, City bond No. 167 for five thousand dollars, issued to Hudson County Bank on account of loan towards the patriotic fund, dated May 7th, 1861, at one year, was paid on presentation, December 24th, 1862, and

Whereas, No provision was made for the payment of the same, and

Whereas, Above mentioned bond was paid from the general treasury of the city, and

Whereas, For the better maintenance of the credit of the city, it is desirable that the general fund should be reimbursed for the amount so paid, therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue their requisitions on the mayor, city clerk, comptroller, and treasurer for five coupon bonds, in the sum of one thousand dollars each, with coupons bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and payable semi-annually; said bonds to be issued on account of patriotic fund loan in the name of the "Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City." Said bonds to be dated August 10th, 1863, and drawn payable three years from date.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, City Bond No. 182 for two thousand dollars issued to Hudson County Bank on account of Loan for Patriotic Fund, dated August 6, 1862, at one year, is about falling due; and whereas, no provision has been made for the payment of said bond, therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue their requisition on the Mayor, City Clerk, Comptroller, and City Treasurer for two Coupon Bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, with Coupons bearing interest, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and payable semi-annually, to enable your committee to borrow the said sum of two thousand dollars, to meet the payment of above bond, No. 182, due August 6, 1863.

Said bonds to be issued on account of Patriotic Fund Loan in the name of the Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City; said bonds to be dated August 6th, 1863, and drawn payable three years from date.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, City Bonds Nos. 26 and 27, issued to Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City on permanent loan for two ve hundred and fifty dollars (\$1.250) each, dated July 1st, 1853, at ten years, and due July 1, 1863, are now past due, and remain unpaid; and

Whereas, City Bond No. 183, issued to Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City on act. of Jersey City Bounty Fund, and constituting a part of the permanent loan for the sum of forty-five hundreded dollars (4,500) dated July 25th, 1862, for one year, is now past due and remains unpaid; and

Whereas, no provision has been made for the payment of said bonds; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue their requisition on the Mayor, City Clerk, Comptroller and City Treasurer, for seven coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, with coupons, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and payable semi-annually; said bonds to be issued as a part of the permanent loan, and a renewal of City Bonds Nos. 26, 27 and 183 in the name of the Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City, said bonds to be dated August 1, 1863, and drawn payable ten years from date.

Resolved, That no delivery of the new coupon bonds be made by the City Clerk until he shall first have received and filed in his office a certificate from the Comptroller, that said city bonds Nos. 26, 27 and 183, issued and due as above stated in the preamble, have been filed in his office, and marked thereon "cancelled by exchange for coupon bonds."

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, Coupon bond No. 53, issued to Michael Van Winkle on account of Patriotic fund, dated April 28, 1862, at one year, and due April 28, 1863, was paid at maturity, and

Whereas, Coupon bond No. 37 issued to Michael Van Winkle on account of Patriotic fund, dated July 1, 1861, at two years, and due July 1st, 1863, was paid at maturity, and

Whereas, No provision was made for the payment of the same, and

Whereas, Above mentioned bonds were paid from the general treasury of the city, and

Whereas, For the better maintenance of the credit of the city it is desirable that the general fund should be reimbursed for the amount so paid, therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue their requisitions on the Mayor, City Clerk, Comptroller, and City Treasurer for

two coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, with coupons bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and payable semi-annually, said bonds to be issued on account of Patriotic fund in the name of the Provident Institution for savings of Jersey City, said bonds to be dated August 10th, 1863, and drawn payable three years from date.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, Coupon Bond No. 52, issued to Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City, on account of Patriotic Fund, dated March 12th, 1862, at one year, is now over due and remains unpaid, and

Whereas, No provision has been made for the payment of the same, therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to issue their requisition on the Mayor, City Clerk, Comptroller, and City Treasurer for one Coupon Bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, with Coupons bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually. Said bond to be issued as a part of the Patriotic Fund Loan, and renewal of Coupon Bond No. 52, in the name of the Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City; said bond to be dated August 10th, 1863, and drawn payable three years from date.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue his requisition on the City Treasurer for the interest due on said bond No. 52, from March 12th 1863 to above date of bond to be issued.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins, and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, Coupon bonds Nos. 38, 39, 40 and 41, of one thousand dollars each, issued to the Provident Institution for savings of Jersey City, on account of patriotic fund loan, dated July 1st, 1861, at two years, are now past due and remain unpaid, and

Whereas, No provision has been made for the payment of said bonds, therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on finance be authorized to issue their requisition on the mayor, city clerk, comptroller, and city treasurer, for four coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each with coupons bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum and payable semi-annually. Said bonds to be issued as a part of the patriotic fund loan, and renewal of coupon bonds Nos. 38, 39, 40 and 41, in the name of the Provident Institution for savings of Jersey City. Said bonds to be dated August 1st, 1863, and drawn payable three years from date.

Resolved, That the comptroller be and is hereby authorized to issue his requisition on the city treasurer for the interest due on said bonds Nos. 38, 39, 40 and 41, from July 1st, 1863, to above date of bonds to be issued.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been

ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, No provision was made in the tax ordinance for the payment of bond No. 182, issued to the Hudson County Bank for the sum of forty-five hundred dollars on account of Jersey City bounty fund, and due July 25th, 1863, and

Whereas, Provision has been made in part for meeting the payment of said bond by the transfer of twenty-five hundred dollars bounty money unexpended, and

Whereas, The sum of two thousand dollars remains unprovided for, said sum belonging to the permanent loan of the city. Therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow the sum of two thousand dollars, and to issue a requisition upon the Mayor, City Clerk, Comptroller, and City Treasurer for coupon bonds not exceeding said amount, with interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, said bonds to be drawn for a period of ten years.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The Committee on License to whom was referred June 2, 1863, the petition of Thomas Morrissey for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Thomas Morrissey, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred July 21, 1863, the petition of Peter McElroy, licensed junk dealer, for a transfer of license, &c., presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the license of Peter McElroy to keep a junk shop at corner of Railroad avenue and Brunswick street be transferred to No 345 South 8th street, in the Sixth ward, provided said McElroy gives a new bond for the last named place.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public health to whom was referred May 12, 1863, the petition of James Lynch and others for the abatement of nuisance consisting of kerosene oil manufacturies at the westerly end of South 8th street and at the foot of Beren Hill, presented a report thereon setting forth that said factories are dangerous nuisances, and at the last term of the Hudson County Court of Oyer and Terminer the proprietors of said establishments were indicted, and during the pending of such indictments the factories were destroyed by fire, and no attempt has been made to reconstruct them, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Sewers who have under consideration the petition referred to them July 21, 1863, of Michael Mullone, for a lateral sewer in Greene street, &c., and the estimate referred to them July 21, 1863, of the board of water commis-

sioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Monday, August 17, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, p.m., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on sewers of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this common council June 30, 1863, of Michael Mullone, for the construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street from a point 50 feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street with the necessary man holes, receiving basins, culverts, &c., the whole to correspond in all essential particulars with the general sewerage act, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the board of water commissioners in their communication presented to this common council July 21st, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred July 21st, 1863, and who have under consideration the petition of Alfred Berney for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the north east corner of South 8th and Prospect streets, and the estimate of the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said basin, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Monday August 17, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P.M., and the Committee Room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council, June 23d, 1863, of Alfred Berney for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the north east corner of South 8th and Prospect streets, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing; and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council, July 21st, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred July 21, 1863, the petition of Abram S. Jewell and others for the construction of a main sewer in York street from Jersey avenue to the Hudson river with laterals, &c., and the communication of the engineer of the board of Water Commissioners in reference thereto presented a report thereon adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners, for the reason that the sewer if built as petitioned for would vary in many important particulars from the general sewerage plan and could not be legally constructed without an amendment to the sewerage act by the Legislature of the State, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on streets to whom was referred, June 30th, 1863, the certificate of D. E. Culver, city surveyor of amount due to James F. Fielder in improvement certificates on account of his contract for improvement of Canal street, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Improvement Certificates be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of James F. Fielder for the sum of one thousand three hundred and eighty-five dollars, being on account of his contract for improvement of Canal street from Jersey avenue to Grove street, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, Mc Bride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Brooking, Cox, Earle, Hankins, and Pangborn.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred June 9th, 1863, the proposal of John Coar, for contract to clean the streets, &c., and the bond for the fulfillment of contract, &c., presented a report setting forth that a bond and contract for said work executed by John Coar were presented July 21st, 1863, and approved and recommending that the bond presented June 9th, 1863, be returned to the principal named therein.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred June 2d, 1863, the proposals of Daniel W. Culver and Keeney & Halladay for contract to improve Provost street from Pavia avenue to North 2nd street, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that they awarded the contract to Daniel W. Culver, he being the lower of said bidders and that contracts have been duly executed, &c., and the work on said improvement is now in progress.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred June 9, 1863, the petition of Thomas Gross and others for the improvement of the south half of the road way of Grand street from Grove street to Barrow street, &c., presented a report thereon in favor of granting permission to the petitioners to refill, recurb and regutter and relag their side walks at the proper grade, and pave the south side of the street at their own cost and expenses under the direction of the Committee on Streets or Street Commissioner.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting one sealed proposal received by them in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to improve Wayne street from Colgate street to the westerly boundary of Jersey City, the report recommending that the proposal be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposal was opened, read and found to be from Keeney & Halladay.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the proposal reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve Wayne street, from the centre of Colgate street to the westerly boundary of Jersey City, including intersections be referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with said bidder, provided the said committee deem it to be the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security

ty, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Drayton & Durant, \$121 13; Matthew Erwin, \$90 08; P H Nugent, \$22 01; Joseph Pye, \$30; Hugh Reilly, \$26 44, and A B Reynolds, \$9 40.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Peter Hall, \$16 18; J. W. Harrison, \$10 85; A B Reynolds, \$77 01; John H Sickels, \$213 and \$118 25.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J F Richardson, \$81 10.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of W J Hadden, \$13; and John McGuigan, \$6 75.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Thomas Cox, \$11.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of W J Hadden, \$15.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of D S Gregory, \$15, and A B Reynolds, \$2 79.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of A B Reynolds, \$1 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance, presented July 21, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz.: "An ordinance to alter the grade of Prospect street between Pavonia Avenue and North Seventh street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins, and Pangborn.

On Motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance, presented July 21, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz.: "An ordinance for regulating and paving South Seventh street, between the easterly line of Brunswick street and the southerly line of Newark Avenue."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance presented July 21st, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to establish the grade of South 8th street from the centre of Brunswick street to the westerly city line."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the following entitled ordinance presented June 23, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"A further supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails on certain streets of Jersey City," approved December 20, 1859.

The ordinance was passed by the following vote,

the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Gafney.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Nafew and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase for the use of the city two thousand feet of hose at a cost not to exceed twenty five hundred dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Nafew and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to have the roof and water pipes of hose house No. 2 repaired at a cost not to exceed forty dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Decker and adopted.

Resolved, That the chief of Police be and is hereby instructed to give notice to all keepers of Inns, and Taverns, and Restaurants within Jersey City, that they will be required to make application for a renewal of their licenses at once, the same having expired.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be requested to have a line fence erected on the rear of the house of Jackson Hose Company No. 6, at a cost not to exceed twenty-five dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted:

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be and he is hereby requested to remove his office into the room in this hall now occupied by the street commissioner, and the one adjoining thereto in the rear, provided that the street commissioner shall be entitled to occupy a place therein for the transaction of his business.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Duff and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be and are hereby authorized and instructed to cause an obstruction to be removed from the mouth or terminus of South 7th street sewer and of the South 5th street sewer, said obstructions completely preventing an opportunity of cleaning said sewers.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Duff and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be and are hereby authorized to cause the receiving basin on the southwest corner of Henderson and Wayne streets to be repaired and put in proper order.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to pay the bounty to volunteers from Jersey City when they are mustered into the service.

Aldermen Gaddis, Ege and Hough were appointed the committee.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the following entitled ordinance presented July 21st, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled 'an ordinance prescribing the duties and regulating the compensation of the inspector and sealer of weights and measures.'"

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, McBride and Nafew.

Nays—Aldermen Drake, Kane and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Hankins and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Edge the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, August 18, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m. Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Brooking, Cox, Decker, Earle, Pangborn and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 4th inst. were read and approved.

Alderman Gaddis being the only member of the Committee on Finance present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Ege was appointed.

Alderman Hough being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Nafew was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Geo. F. Durant, 1st lieut. battery C. 1st N. J. Artillery, to have the Bounty Committee authorized to reserve a sufficient amount of the bounty to pay the full compliment of men required for his organization.

Referred to Special Committee on Bounties, appointed August 4, 1863.

Petition of Nathaniel C. Slight for an assignment to him of a declaration of sale made to the city treasurer September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, of block 46 or 36 lots south of Canal street, C. Van Vorst map.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Henry J. Callo for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 278 Newark avenue, in the 4th Ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Luke Concannon for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 239 Newark avenue, in the 6th Ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Charles S. Archer notifying the common council of the existence of a nuisance in North 1st street, between Prospect and Provost streets, caused by excavating making a pond of stagnant water, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of Edward Hope and others to have the sewer in Henderson street from Newark avenue to Grand street cleaned.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Hugh Roundtree for permission to improve that part of South 8th street which lies in front of his lot No. 15 in block 429, Bacot's map.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Owen Cassidy and Hugh Roundtree for permission to improve that part of South 8th street which lies in front of their lots No. 18 in block 429 and No. 5 in block 435, as the same are designated on Bacot's map.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of Alexander Hamilton and others for the construction of a main sewer in Morgan street from a point about 50 feet east of Prospect street to tide water at the Hudson river with laterals, &c.

Referred to the Board of Water Commissioners with a request that they furnish the estimate and description required by law.

Petition of the Long Dock Company and others for the alteration of grades of portions of North 2nd second, North 3rd, Provost, Prospect, Grove and Erie streets, Jersey avenue, Coles, Monmouth and Brunswick streets to conform to a diagram accompanying the application.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and

referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Thomas Cox \$11 00, Drayton & Durant \$121 13, Matthew Erwin \$90 08, D. S. Gregory \$15 00, W. J. Hadden \$13 00, Peter Hall \$16 18, J. W. Harrison \$10 88, John Mc Guigan \$6 75, P. H. Nugent \$22 01, Joseph Pye \$30 00, Hugh Reilly \$26 44, A. B. Reynolds \$77 01, \$9 40 and \$1 50, J. H. Sickles \$213 00 and \$118 25.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received and referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Nathaniel Ellis \$83 33, A. V. Hardenbergh \$100 00, J. B. Haight \$100 00, J. V. Hardenbergh \$100 00, Geo. W. Cassidy \$166 66 and \$50 00, J. H. Lyon, \$72 47, R. D. McClelland \$100 00, J. D. Nolan \$86 66, E. Olcott, Jr., \$50 00, and P. D. Vroom \$50 00.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The report of the recorder for the quarter ending July 31, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The reports of the overseer of the poor and superintendent of the alms house for the quarter ending July 31, 1863, were presented, received and ordered filed.

The report of Joseph Van Doren, a gauger and inspector of domestic liquors, for the quarter ending July 31, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

Alderman McBride presented the report, map and schedule of the Board of Commissioners of Assessments of the regulation of Canal street from the east line of Grove street to the west line of Jersey avenue, including intersections, and the same were received, ordered filed, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted.

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to give notice in the "American Standard," a newspaper published in this city, for at least ten days, that the report, map and schedule of the board of commissioners of assessments for the regulation and improvement of Canal street, specifying said improvement, from the east line of Grove street to the west line of Jersey avenue, including intersections, are on file in the city clerk's office at the City Hall on the corner of Newark Avenue and Washington Place, and that the Common Council will meet at the Common Council chamber in said City Hall on the first day of September next at eight o'clock P. M. to consider said assessment, and to receive and consider all objections thereto which may be presented in writing.

A certificate of D. E. Culver, city surveyor, of there being due to Keeny & Halladay, contractors for improvement of Meadow street from Pavonia avenue to the centre of North 2d street, the sum of eleven hundred dollars in improvement certificates was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Streets.

The city attorney to whom was referred, June 30, 1863, the petition of James Lynch and others for improvement of South 8th street from Brunswick street to the Mill creek, reported back said petition as not correctly drawn.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented reports of the approval by His Honor the Mayor, of the following entitled ordinances passed, August 4, 1863 viz.

"A further supplement to an ordinance entitled" an ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad company to lay a single track of iron rails on certain streets of Jersey City "Approved December 20, 1859,"

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled" an

ordinance prescribing the duties and regulating the compensation of the Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures.

"An ordinance to establish the grade of South Eighth street from the centre of Brunswick street, to the westerly city line"

"An ordinance to alter the grade of Prospect street, between Pavonia avenue and North Seventh street"

"An ordinance for regulating and paving South Seventh street between the easterly line of Brunswick street and the southerly line of Newark avenue."

The reports were received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice, of application on the 23d June, 1863 by Alfred Berney, for a receiving basin and culvert on the North east corner of South Eighth and Prospect streets.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application June 30, 1863 by Michael Mallone for the construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee on the Central Railroad communication, to whom was referred on the 4th inst. the remonstrance of the Morris Canal and Banking Company, against the arrangement proposed to be made between the city and the Central Railroad Company, presented a report thereon, recommending that the remonstrance be returned to the Morris Canal Company, the following preamble and resolution accompanying the report:

Whereas, The Morris Canal and Banking Company have presented to this board a remonstrance against the report of the Special Committee relative to the subject of a conference with the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and

Whereas, It clearly appears that the said company have misconceived the meaning and spirit of the said report, therefore be it

Resolved, That the said remonstrance be returned to the said Morris Canal and Banking Company by the city clerk with a copy of this preamble and resolution.

The report was received and on motion of Alderman Gaddis laid upon the table.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 4th inst., the petition of B. O. Edge for an assignment to him of declarations of sale of certain lots sold to the city treasurer for taxes of 1860 presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to assign to Benjamin O. Edge declarations of sale of lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Montgomery street, in block 13, Sisson's map and triangle at bridge marked W. on V. V. Township map, assessed to unknown, sold to the city treasurer September 6, 1861 for taxes of 1860.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 4th inst., the petition of F. Morris to have cancelled sale of certain property belonging to him erroneously returned as unpaid and sold for taxes of 1860, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made to the city treasurer September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860 of property described, as "about 73 lots between Newark avenue, Railroad avenue, Brunswick street, and the west boundary of the city on map made by Clerk & Baot for owners" assessed to F. Morris be cancelled off record by the city clerk for the reason

on that the taxes due thereon were paid to the collector of arrears of taxes for 1860, and erroneously returned as unpaid.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom was referred June 23, 1863, the petition of Engine Company No. 2, for an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars, for the purpose of furnishing their house anew, &c., presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase furniture for Engine company No. 2, not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred July 21, 1863, the communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Harney, on charges preferred against him by Mr. John Geraghty, presented a report thereon setting forth that they investigated the charges and suspended said policeman for fifteen days from the date of the mayor's communication.

The report was received and the action of the committee approved and concurred in.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred July 21, 1863, the communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Snow on charges preferred against him by the chief of police, presented a report thereon setting forth that they have investigated the charges and suspended said policeman for six days from the date of the mayor's communication.

The report was received and the action of the committee approved and concurred in.

The Committee on Printing and Stationery, to whom were referred July 7, 1863, the proposals of A. Hardenbergh and Davison & Headlam, for contract to print and bind 300 copies of the Mayor's annual message and reports of city officers, presented a report setting forth that they awarded the contract to A. Hardenbergh, he being the lower of said bidders and that the work has been completed and the books are now in the possession of the committee, and await the order of the Common Council.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred August 4, 1863, the petition of John Crow, pound master, in reference to the destruction of the public pound in the Sixth ward, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Health be and are hereby authorized to have the public pound in the Sixth ward rebuilt at an expense not exceeding — dollars

The report was received, the blank in the resolution was filled with the word "forty" on motion of Alderman Gaddis, and the resolution was then adopted.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred June 30, 1863, the communication from Dennis Farrell, Coroner, calling the attention of the Common Council to the necessity of setting some place apart for the reception of the dead bodies of persons found in Jersey City, presented a report thereon adverse to the suggestions of the communication.

The report was received and adopted.

Alfred McBride from the Committee on Streets, presented a bill of James F. Fielder, \$3637, 21, for improvement of Canal street from Grove to Jersey street and a certificate from D. E. Culver, city surveyor setting forth that in the bill presented June 30, 1863, there was an omission of an item

&c., and on motion of Alderman McBride it was ordered: That the bill presented this evening be substituted for the one presented June 30, 1863.

The Committee on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them August 4, 1863, of John McGraw and others for improvement of Greene street from Steuben street to Harsimus street presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Friday 11th Sept. 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council July 21st 1863, of John McGraw and others, to have Greene street from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street regulated and paved with with cobble stone, curbed, guttered and flagged four feet wide on both sides of the street, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

(Alderman McBride obtained leave and retired.)

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Clarke, Colston & Downes, \$20; Lieuts. Reily and Durant, \$50 and \$50, and A. P. Rikeman, \$4.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of James M. Blaney & Co., \$6 90; Claflin, Melien & Co., \$49 99; and John Longstaff, \$101 25.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Board of Commissioners or Assessments, \$30.

Referred to Committee on Assessments

Of J. W. Harrison, \$7 63, and Samuel Hetherington, \$3 75.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. P. Townsend, \$90. Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of R. D. McClelland, \$225 75. Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Of E. Olcott, Jr., \$25; P. H. Nugent, \$11 25; and Taylor's Hotel, \$171 66.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Clarke, Colston & Downes, \$6. Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of James M. Blaney & Co., \$51 47; Sam'l Hetherington, \$7; and P. H. Nugent, \$13 62.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of D. E. Culver, \$44 50; William Conner, \$18; Patrick Garvey, \$24; Hugh Keenan, \$73 12;—Michael Killeen, \$24; Thomas Lawless, \$15; Patrick Maden, \$13 75; Owen O'Rourke, \$15; John Ryan, \$15; and Patrick Torney, \$18.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Hough, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board viz:

"An ordinance for filling, paving with Belgian pavement, and otherwise regulating Prospect street from the North line of Pavonia avenue to the North line of North 7th street.

Resolutions were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That the action of this Common Council, August 4, 1863, fixing the time for payment of bonds for Jersey City bounty fund 1863, at from twenty to forty years be and is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the time for which the bonds for

Jersey City bounty fund 1863 shall be issued shall be from ten to thirty years.

By Alderman Gaddis:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and are hereby authorized to borrow the further sum of eighty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers as per resolution of this common council July 29, 1863, and approved by his honor the mayor July 31, 1863; and further

Resolved, That the said Committee on Finance may issue their requisitions upon the mayor, city clerk, comptroller and city treasurer for coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, with coupons attached, interest payable semi-annually, said bonds to be made payable as follows, to wit:

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable ten years from date of issue.

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable thirteen years from date of issue.

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable fifteen years from date of issue.

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable eighteen years from date of issue.

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable twenty two years from date of issue.

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable twenty five years from date of issue.

Ten thousand dollars to be made payable twenty eight years from date of issue.

And the balance, ten thousand dollars to be made payable thirty years from date of issue of bonds, and that the mayor and city clerk be requested to sign said bonds under the corporate seal of the city, and that the comptroller countersign the same, and that the city treasurer sign the coupons attached thereto.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane and Nafew.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Earle, McBride, Pangborn and Terry.

By Alderman Hankins:

Whereas, The city of Newark contains more inhabitants than the whole county of Hudson, and

Whereas, The county of Hudson under the present enrolment has to raise more men for the army than the whole county of Essex, and

Whereas, The county of Hudson sent more men than her quota of nine months men, and was promised that they should be credited on any subsequent draft. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the committee on enlistments be and are hereby authorized to see if Jersey City's quota cannot be reduced.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Drake and Ege.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Kane and Nafew.

Nays—Aldermen Ege, Gaddis and Hough.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Earle, McBride, Pangborn and Terry.

By Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the present Special Committee relative to matters connected with the Central Railroad Company, report to this board, the consideration received by owners of riparian rights on the south cove from the said railroad company for conveyance of rights to land under water and that when this board adjourns it adjourn to meet on Tuesday the 25th day of August instant, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to hear said report and act

on any business relating to a settlement with that company.

By Alderman Drake and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for ten dollars be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Robert H. Johnston, for remission of a fine imposed upon him by the recorder and remitted by the Common Council on the 21st July.

By Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing and Stationery be authorized to have the necessary coupon bonds printed the present supply being exhausted.

On motion of Alderman Nafew it was

Resolved, That the resolution passed July 7, 1863, ordering a warrant drawn on the city treasurer for four hundred dollars in favor of the special committee on the celebration of the 4th of July to be accounted for by them to this board be rescinded.

By Alderman Nafew and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for three hundred and eighty-five dollars

and eighty-one cents in favor of the special committee on the celebration of the Fourth of July to be accounted for by them to this board.

By Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That the Bergen and Jersey City Horse Car Railroad be authorized to use the necessary quantity of cobble stones now being taken up by them in Pavonia avenue for repairs to other portions of their road.

On motion of Alderman Nafew it was

Resolved, That the resolution passed August 4, 1863, authorizing the Committee on Fire and Water to purchase two thousand feet of hose for the use of the city be rescinded.

By Alderman Nafew and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase for the use of the city two thousand feet of hose at a cost not to exceed three thousand dollars.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Saturday, August 22nd, 1863, at eight o'clock p.m., called by His Honor the Mayor, at the request of Aldermen Gaddis, Gafney and McBride, for the purpose of passing resolutions to enable the Finance Committee to raise money to pay volunteers from Jersey City, the bounty money pledged to them by the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City.

In the absence of the city clerk, by request of the president, Aldermen Ege acted as clerk pro tempore.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Edge, Ege, Gafney, and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Pangborn, and Terry.

Less than a quorum being present, on motion of Alderman Nafew the board adjourned.

HORATIO N. EGE,

Clerk pro tempore.

August 25, 1863, no meeting of the Common Council was held, none of the members being present.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council chamber, Wednesday, August 26, 1863, at 8 o'clock p.m.

In the absence of the city clerk, on motion of Alderman Gafney, Alderman Hough was appointed clerk pro tempore.

Present—Aldermen Decker, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Alderman Duff was absent at the calling of the roll but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Earle, Gaddis and Hankins.

In the absence of the President on motion of Alderman Nafew, Alderman Decker was appointed President pro tempore.

The call of the meeting was read by the clerk pro tempore and is as follows :

Hon. John B. Romar, Mayor :

We request you to call a special meeting of the Common Council to be held this Wednesday evening, the 26th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of passing resolutions to enable the Finance Committee to raise the necessary funds to pay bounty to volunteers.

Respectfully, yours,

W. I. Hough,
Thos. Gafney,
Jno. McBride.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, City Hall, }
August 26, 1863. }

George W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk :

Dear Sir: At the request of Aldermen Hough, Gafney and McBride, you will please issue notices for a special meeting of the Common Council to be held at their chamber this evening, August 26th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose named in said request.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR,
Mayor.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Hough :

Whereas, By resolution of this Common Council it was resolved to pay to each volunteer who would enlist in Jersey City under the last call for troops to fill up the quota assigned to Jersey City, the sum of two hundred dollars as bounty, and

Whereas, Many troops are now waiting a fulfillment of that agreement on the part of Jersey City,

they having been mustered into the service of the United States; and whereas, the provisions heretofore made to raise the necessary funds to pay said bounty have been found to be inadequate for present purposes,

Resolved, That the sum of seventy thousand dollars be raised, and that a bond or bonds be issued for six months, bearing interest at a rate not exceeding seven per cent., in anticipation of taxes in payment of the same.

Resolved, That two members of the board (in consequence of the absence of Aldermen Cox and Gaddis,) be associated with Alderman Decker on Finance Committee, and that said committee proceed to raise funds and pay the bounty due to volunteers.

Resolved, That all former committees on paying bounties are hereby discharged.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the preamble and resolutions were laid upon the table temporarily.

On motion of Alderman Gafney it was

Resolved, That the resolutions passed August 18, 1863 authorizing the Committee on Finance to borrow the further sum of eighty thousand dollars for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers, and the resolution passed August 18, 1863, fixing the time for which the bonds of bounty fund of 1863, shall be issued at from ten to thirty years, be and the same are hereby rescinded.

(Alderman Duff appeared and took his seat.)

The preamble and resolutions of Alderman Hough were then taken from the table and adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—Aldermen Decker, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Earle, Gaddis and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn, Aldermen Hough and Ege were appointed as the associates of Alderman Decker on the Finance Committee.

On motion of Alderman Edge the Board then adjourned.

W. I. HOUGH,
City Clerk pro tempore.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, September 1st, 1863, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Alderman Broking was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Alderman Cox and Earle.

The minutes of the regular meeting of August 18, 1863, and of the special meetings of August 22 and August 26, 1863, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Resignation of John W. Sandford as a member of the police department.

Accepted.

Petition of the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company for permission to place a gas lamp at the corner of Montgomery and Hudson streets, &c.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Petition of John Kelly for a license to act as a stevedore.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Remonstrance of Morris & Cummings and others against the construction of a sewer, in Morgan street.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Remonstrance of Campbell & Fitzpatrick and others against the construction of a sewer in Morgan street.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Remonstrance of Charles S. Archer against the improvement of North First street from Prospect street to Provost street.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of James Lynch and others to have South Eighth street from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered, sidewalks flagged four feet wide, &c.

Referred to corporation attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to Committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Board of Commissioners of Assessments \$30; James M. Blaney & Co., \$51 47 and \$6 90;—Clafin, Mellen & Co., \$49 99; Clarke, Colston & Downes, \$20 and \$6; William Conner, \$18; Patrick Garvey, \$24; W. J. Hadden, \$15; J. W. Harrison, \$7 63; Samuel Hetherington, \$7 and \$3 75; Michael Killeen, \$24; Thomas Lawless, \$15; J. Longstaff, \$101 25; Patrick Madden, \$13 75; R. D. McClelland, \$225 75; P. H. Nugent, \$13 62 and \$11 25; Owen O'Rourke, \$15; John Pringle, \$2 75; John Ryan, \$15; J. F. Richardson, \$81 10; A. P. Rikeman, \$4; Lieuts. Reilly and Durant, \$50 and \$50; Taylors' Hotel, \$171 66; Patrick Tormey, \$18, and James P. Townsend, \$90.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Dennis Byrne, \$12 50; John Coar, \$358 63; William Conner, \$18; John Egan, \$46 58; Joseph G. Edge, \$150 and \$110; S. D. Ellis, \$10; Patrick Garvey, \$20; Michael Killeen, \$24; Thomas Lawless, \$12 50; J. H. Lyon, \$972 33; Mrs. C. Lynch, \$7 50; Patrick Madden, \$15; C. C. Martindale, \$58 33; James McDermott, \$72; Owen O'Rourke, \$12

50; Police Department, \$2011 84; John Ryan, \$15; Thomas E. Tilden, \$75 and \$75; Clayland Tilden, \$34 50; Patrick Tormey, \$15, and William Whitely, \$58 33.

Claims of D. E. Culver, \$44 50, and Hugh Keenan, \$73 12, for work and materials on improvement of Meadow street from Pavonia avenue to North 2d street, presented and referred to Committee on Streets, August 18, 1863, were reported correct by said Committee.

The reports were received and adopted, and the claims referred to Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

A claim of Keeney & Halladay, \$1756 83 for improvement of Meadow street from Pavonia avenue to North 2d street was presented, received referred to Committee on Streets, subsequently reported correct by said Committee.

The report was received and adopted, and the claimed referred to Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication from his honor the mayor, with the opinions of the corporation attorney enclosed, was presented received, and the whole subject referred to the Committee on Alms with power.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Sept. 1, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

On the 27th ult. I requested the corporation attorney to send me information on the following points, viz: First, whether the authorities of Jersey City are obliged to send their poor to the county alms house, and second, whether an assessment can be imposed on the property of the citizens of this city for the construction and maintenance of the same, to which he has responded in an opinion entirely contrary to the preconceived views of a large number of intelligent gentlemen of this city with whom I had previously conversed on the subject as well as my own.

Having on several occasions heretofore conferred with your honorable body in relation to the necessity of immediate steps towards providing for a change in this department; I desire at the earliest period to lay before you his views upon this all important subject, (which I herewith enclose) to the end that our course of action may be definitely settled.

If I have misinterpreted the intention of the legislature I desire to say that such mistake should at once be corrected, and the assessors notified of the fact, as well as the board of Chosen Freeholders.

It is unnecessary to add that I will cheerfully concur in such action in the premises as may conduce to the public good and tend to decrease the heavy impositions with which our citizens are at the present time burdened.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following communication from his honor the mayor, was presented, received, and with the accompanying documents referred to the corporation attorney.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Aug. 31, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith enclose you copy of injunction served on me this day by "The Morris Canal and Banking Company" against "The Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, John Taylor Johnson and the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City."

A copy of complaint of said Morris Canal and Banking Company, together with the several acts of the legislature relative thereto; also a map of property in dispute accompanied said service,

which I herewith transmit, recommending that the whole be referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

A communication from the Corporation Attorney, asking the Common Council to employ counsel other than himself in relation to the county almshouse, was presented, received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

"Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be and they are hereby empowered to obtain from other counsel than the city attorney an opinion (which opinion is requested by the said attorney) on the subject embraced in the communication of his honor the mayor, presented this evening, relative to the county almshouse, at an expense not to exceed the sum of fifty dollars, and present the same to this board at its next communication whether regular or special.

The Corporation Attorney, to whom was referred, August 18, 1863, the application of the Long Dock Company and others for alteration of grades of certain streets in the Fifth ward, reported back said petition as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "confirmation of assessment for the regulation of Canal street, from the east line of Grove street to the west line of Jersey avenue, including intersections."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The report of the City Treasurer for the month of August 1863, showing a balance in the treasury August 31, 1863, of \$966 05, was presented, received and ordered filed.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee on Central Railroad communication, who were requested by resolution passed August 18, 1863, to report the consideration received by riparian shore owners from the Central Railroad Company for land under water, presented a report setting forth that they have caused investigation to be made and discover that such consideration amounts to sums varying from twenty dollars a lineal foot of frontage to about twenty seven dollars per lineal foot.

The report was received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred August 18, 1863, the petition of N. C. Slaight for an assignment to him of a declaration of sale of property sold to the city treasurer September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, that the city treasurer is hereby authorized to assign to Nathaniel C. Slaight a declaration of sale of "whole of block 46, or 36 lots south of Canal, C. Van Vorst's map," assessed to estate of C. Corwin, sold to the city treasurer September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred June 23, 1863, the communication from his honor the mayor, enclosing a communication from the mayor of Hoboken, in reference to the deposit of garbage on land between Jersey City and Hoboken presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the communication of his honor the mayor of Hoboken in reference to the deposit of garbage near the dividing line between Hoboken and Jersey City be continued in the hands of the committee on Health, who are hereby empowered to take the measures necessary for the abatement of the nuisance.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred August 4, 1863, the petition of R. C. Sherman and others, for the abatement of a nuisance consisting of lots at southwest corner of Prospect and Bay streets, covered with stagnant water, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That notices be served on the owners or the agents of such owners of vacant lots known as numbers 175, 176, 177, 178 and 179, in block 207, as laid down in Bacot's map, being on and near the southwest corner of Prospect and Bay streets, requiring them, and each of them to fill such of said lots as belong to them to a depth of two feet and fence the same, within the space of fifteen days after service of a copy of such notice said lots being covered with stagnant water, emitting noxious vapors and unfenced, which said notice shall further notify said owners, or their agents, that in case they or each of them, refuse or neglect so to do within the time aforesaid, this common council do hereby order the same to be done under the direction of the committee on streets, and that the expense of such filling and fencing in such case of neglect or refusal, shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as of other improvements provided for by the fifty-second section of the charter or the supplements touching the same, and be it further

Resolved, That in case no owner or agent of any of the lots heretofore described can be found within the limits of Jersey City to be served with the notices aforesaid, the said common council do hereby order that a copy of this resolution be published in the corporation paper the AMERICAN STANDARD, for the space of ten days before such improvement shall be proceeded with.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle.

The Committee on Sewers reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, on the 17th August, 1863, the time appointed for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of Alfred Berney for a receiving basin and culvert on the northeast corner of South 8th and Prospect streets, there was but one member of the Committee on Sewers present, and it becomes necessary to appoint a new time for appearing; therefore,

Resolved, That Thursday, September 17, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this common council June 23d, 1863, of Alfred Berney for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the north east corner of South 8th and Prospect streets, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing; and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished to the said common council by the board of water commissioners in their communication presented to this common council July 21st, 1863.

The report was received and the preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Sewers reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, on the 17th of August, 1863, the time appointed for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of Michael Mullone for a lateral sewer in Greene street, there was but one member of the Committee on Sewers present, and it becomes necessary to appoint a new time for a hearing; therefore,

Resolved, That Thursday, September 17, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this common council June 30, 1863, of Michael Mullone, for the construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street from a point 50 feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street, with the necessary man holes, receiving basins, culverts, &c., the whole to correspond in all essential particulars with the general sewerage act, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the board of water commissioners in their communication presented to this common council July 21, 1863.

The report was received and the preamble and resolution adopted.

[Alderman Broking appeared and took his seat.]

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, August 18, 1863, the certificate of D. E. Culver, City Surveyor, of amount due in improvement certificates to Keeney & Halladay, contractors for improvement of Meadow street, reported the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of William Keeney and John R. Halladay for eleven hundred dollars, being the amount of their bill on account of improvement of Meadow street, from Pavonia avenue to the centre of North Second street, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gainey, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox and Earle.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of P. H. Lavery, \$3 85.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of Drayton & Durant, \$124 57; Matthew Erwin, \$91 39, and Hugh Reilly, \$32 65.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of R. C. Bacot, \$3 00.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of J. W. Harrison, \$12 65 and \$4 26.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J. F. Richardson, \$53 12.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$44 57.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of A. G. Mason, \$34 00.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Thomas Lalley, \$222 00.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of B. F. Snow, \$76 31.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the report presented August 18, 1863 of the Special Committee on Central Railroad matters on the communication referred to them August 4, 1863, of the Morris Canal and Banking Company objecting to the proposed arrangements between the city and the Central Railroad Company, and the following preamble and resolution attached thereto was taken from the table:

Whereas, The Morris Canal and Banking Company have presented to this board a remonstrance against the report of the Special Committee relative to the subject of a conference with the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and whereas it clearly appears that the said company have misconceived the meaning and spirit of the said report, therefore be it

Resolved, That the said remonstrance be returned to the said Morris Canal and Banking Company by the city clerk with a copy of this preamble and resolution.

The report was received and the preamble and resolution was adopted. On motion of Alderman McBride the report was ordered to be printed in the minutes, said report being as follows:

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: The remonstrance of the Morris Canal and Banking Company relative to the report of the undersigned, on the subject of a conference with the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey which remonstrance was presented to your honorable body on August 4, 1863, has received such attention at the hands of your committee as the nature of the case demands.

The said company complain of the provisions of the report which will be herein examined—

First, They complain that the report proposes to take their property and appropriate it to another corporation without compensation.

This (if true,) would be indeed a grievous hardship, and, in the opinion of your committee, sufficient to have caused the quaking manifested by the company.

The proposition, besides being grievous is novel—the company appear to have been suddenly frightened by an apprehension that their property was about to be taken by the strong arm of force or rapine without authority of law, and that too without compensation, and by a municipal corporation whose powers are defined by a charter in which no such right is prescribed.

Your committee deny positively and unequivocally the truth of the statement.

Your committee have not sought to imitate the example set them by other corporations. (Public only in name) whose business is transacted within the limits of our city. They seek not to encroach upon others' rights, or to dispose of property without authority of law, but insist that the company have not alone misapprehended the meaning and spirit of the report, but have misrepresented the entire case in claiming title to any of the lands under water, opposite the property known as the "Alms House," in Jersey City. That the case now pending in the Court of Chancery, of this State, will settle that controversy, and that it is the undoubted right of a corporation to dispose of its property to any purchaser, making fully known the facts relating to the same.

That the Central Railroad was, and is, fully apprised of the questions arising on the title of your honorable body to the said property, and your committee insist that the interference of third parties in such negotiations is not only uncalled

for, but may be appropriately termed impertinent.

Second, They complain that the report proposes to obstruct the communication by water, from their canal and works with the open river and usual course of navigation.

Your committee are of opinion that such a complaint comes with ill grace from a company who have constructed one of the most pernicious purprestures ever erected in the navigable waters of this continent, but are unable to discover the foundation for such a statement, except it be in the imaginations of the remonstrants.

The Morris Canal, some few years ago, (and it is claimed by some in a surreptitious manner, and at a strange hour of the twenty-four which constitute the day,) obstructed the navigation by a pier running over one thousand six hundred feet into the navigable waters of the South Cove and within the limits of Jersey City; shut out other owners, among whom were your honorable body, from access (except in a most difficult and roundabout way) with the water of the channel of the Hudson river; enclosed acres of land under water, theretofore used by sailing, steam and other craft, as well for passage as for safe places of anchorage, thereby obstructing navigation and destroying the harbor. And all this was done without legislative sanction or other authority of law.

They never applied to your honorable body for permission so to do; but, on the contrary, as your committee believe, had their cribs prepared in order to facilitate the work before the process of the city government could be made to reach them, and now having been instrumental in constructing the abominable nuisance, they come complaining and lamenting that public navigation will be injured because another corporation, imitating their example—though standing in a more favorable position so far as the law is concerned—seeks to finish the work so illegally and clandestinely commenced by themselves.

The Central Railroad, on the contrary, have obtained an act of the Legislature, under which they have been and are operating, and come in a respectful and courteous manner, asking a conference with your honorable body in reference to the contemplated improvements.

Contrast the two! The one ignoring the civilities due to the representatives of the body politic, and acting in defiance of public sentiment and right and law. The other having the express sanction of the legislature, subject to the rights of riparian owners, and respecting the decencies too often forgotten by grasping and intolerant corporations.

The third cause of complaint, as stated in the remonstrance, is a mere repetition of the two above stated, and your committee will not, therefore examine it further.

The Morris Canal and Banking Company should have remembered before sending such a communication to your honorable body, that some years since they applied to the legislature, (the present president of the company being then a member, if not president of the Senate of the State of New Jersey,) for permission very similar, as to the right to obstruct navigation, which the Central Railroad have lately procured, and were unable to obtain the favorable hearing they required; and that your committee think the arrogant tone of the remonstrance under such circumstances not calculated to produce a favorable impression. The fact is, that the report of the committee which is the cause of such remonstrance, (as might be seen by any unprejudiced man,) merely sets forth what the city would deem a fair basis of settlement. Your committee did not know, nor did they care, whether the Central Railroad would be able to carry out such an agreement as might be made in pursuance thereof or not. The road was to guarantee the municipal corporation, that such agreement (if

made) should be carried out and enforced, and it was no part of the duty or business of your committee to enquire whether difficulties might arise therefrom before the Central Railroad and the Morris Canal Company or other corporations.

Your committee would ask the Morris Canal and Banking Company to believe that they are in no wise actuated by ill feeling towards them, or by a favorable disposition towards the Central Railroad or any other corporation, in the exercise of the duties they owe towards their constituents, the citizens of this city, but they think that when called upon to vindicate their action in any of the proceedings relating to the city government, they should not and never will consent to withhold a truthful statement of facts, bearing upon the questions put forth for deliberation in this board.

Your committee, think that the Morris Canal and Banking Company have entirely misconceived the motives and intention of your committee, and would, therefore, recommend that the remonstrance be returned to the said company with a copy of the preamble and resolution hereto annexed.

WM. CLARKE,
C. M. HANKINS,
J. MCBRIDE,
A. A. GADDIS,
W. H. NAFEW.

Whereas, The Morris Canal and Banking Company have presented to this board a remonstrance against the report of the Special Committee relative to the subject of a conference with the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and whereas it clearly appears that the said company have misconceived the meaning and spirit of the said report; therefore be it

Resolved, That the said remonstrance be returned to the said Morris Canal and Banking Company by the city clerk, with a copy of this preamble and resolution.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the report presented July 24 1863, of the Special Committee on communication of the Central Railroad Company in reference to the extension of their road to Jersey City, was taken from the table and on motion of the same Alderman the report was recommitted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CENTRAL RAILROAD MATTERS.

The Special Committee on Central Railroad matters presented a report accompanied by the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a deed of conveyance of the right title and interest of this Common Council to a strip of land in the First Ward of Jersey City one foot wide from north to south in front of and on the shore of the property belonging to the mayor and Common Council of Jersey City, situate between a line seventy-five feet west of the westerly line of Washington street and another line seventy-five feet east of the easterly side of Washington street, said strip being (230) two hundred and thirty feet in length from east to west; together with the rights and appurtenances thereunto belonging, be made to the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey for the consideration of seven thousand five hundred dollars, by which said deed the Central Railroad aforesaid shall agree to reconvey as soon as South street now laid down on Mangin's map shall be reclaimed, the said one foot of land hereby conveyed together with the north half of South street to this board, such conveyance not to affect the title of the said company to the lands under water; and that this Common Council reserve the right to open or improve at any time after the same shall be reclaimed, South street and Washington street, it being the sole intention of this board in authorizing said deed to cause to be conveyed to said Central Railroad Com-

pany the right and interest to the shore and lands under water in Comminipaw Cove or New York Bay south of the middle line of South street subject to such easements as may be projected on any part of said shore or lands under water.

Resolved, That said deed be prepared under the direction of the special committee on matters connected with the said Central Railroad Company and to their satisfaction; and that the mayor and city clerk be and they are hereby requested, on the requisition of a majority of the said Committee, to execute the same according to law; and that on the payment of the consideration aforesaid to the treasurer of the city, or, in case of his absence from the city, to the collector of revenue, for the use of the city, said deed be delivered to thy said company, and that in case the said monee shall be paid to the said collector of revenue he shall at once cause the same to be paid into the city treasury.

Resolved, That the said committee be and they are hereby authorized to arrange the preliminaries as to the costs and charges of any proceedings and matters connected therewith necessary to be arranged before the delivery of said deed. The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS RESUMED.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the bill, injunction and rule to show cause, served on this board this evening at the instigation of the Morris Canal and Banking Company, be referred to the City Attorney with request that he take such measures relative thereto and relative to any application which he may see fit to make to the courts on the subject of land under water, now occupied or sought to be occupied by the said company as he may see fit under the direction of the Committee on Central Railroad affairs, subject to such terms and conditions as said Committee may deem proper.

Aldermen Ege and Broking obtained leave and retired.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance presented August 18, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling, paving with Belgian pavement and otherwise regulating Prospect street from the north line of Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Seventh street.

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle and Ege.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution passed by this board August 18, 1863, giving permission to the Jersey City and Bergen Horse Railroad Company to take and use the cobble stones now being taken up on Pavonia avenue, in repairing their tracks elsewhere (without limit as to place or quantity) be and the same is hereby rescinded.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis:

Resolved, That the resolution passed August 26, 1863, whereby all former committees on paying bounties were discharged be and hereby is rescinded.

The resolution was rejected.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge:

Resolved, That this board now go into an election for a policeman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Policeman John W. Sandford.

The resolution was laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, September 15, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox and Decker.

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 1st, 1863, were read and approved.

Alderman Gaddis, being the only member of the Committee on Finance present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for this evening, whereupon Alderman Terry was appointed.

Alderman Hough, being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening, whereupon Alderman Pangborn was appointed.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Petition of Dan Rice for a license to exhibit the "Great Show," on or about the 28th inst., &c.

Prayer of petitioner granted on his paying the license fee required by the ordinance relative to shows and exhibitions, on motion of Alderman Terry.

Petition of Mrs. M. J. Alexander for privilege to redeem her lot, 76 Railroad avenue, in block 72, sold June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, on payment of the tax without interest.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petitions of the following named parties for licenses to keep inns and taverns:

Mrs. Casselmann, Simon Hempelman, John Donovan, Ferdinand Wirtz, Owen McCue, Jacob Wilhelm, Philip Landmesser, Wendell Greene and William Love.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of Thompson & Craw, Robert Short and Charles Busch for restaurant licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Edward Gilleland for a license to peddle meat, fish, &c.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William J. Wall, to be appointed a "city watchman."

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of Edward Hope, jr., and others, in relation to the defective condition of the Prospect street sewer.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of H. F. Clark, for the privilege of making a paved carriageway adjoining his lot, running from Jersey avenue to Coles street, &c., at his own expense.

Referred to Committee on Streets, with power, on motion of Alderman Terry.

Petition of William Harney, and others, to have Grand street, between Grove and Warren street, raised to the established grade, and repaved.

Referred to corporation attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of Drayton & Durant, \$124 57; Nathaniel Ellis, \$44 57; Matthew Erwin, \$91 39; J W Harrison, \$4 26; J W Harrison, \$12 65; P H Lavery, \$3 85; A G Mason, \$34; Hugh Reilly, \$32 65; J F Richardson, \$53 12, and B F Snow, \$76 31.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules suspended to enable the board to receive the reports thereon, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Connor, \$18; Cox and Derry, \$55 18; George W Cassidy, \$166 66, and \$50; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; Patrick Garvey, \$24; Wm H Gantier & Co., \$119 25; John B Haight, \$100; J V Hardenbergh, \$100; Michael Killeen, \$24; Thomas Lawless, \$15; Patrick Madden, \$15; James McDermott, \$36; Cornelius C Martindale, \$58 34; Richard D McClelland, \$109; Owen O'Rourke, \$15; John Ryan, \$15; Patrick Tarmey, \$18; and Peter D Vroom, \$50.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The following requisition from the board of education was presented and warrants were ordered drawn on the treasurer in favor of the claimants and for the amounts respectively named therein: *To the Honorable the Common Council of Jersey City:*

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the board of education, held at their room on Monday evening, September 7, 1863, it was

Resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims: Colgate & Co., for soap for cleaning schools \$ 6 75 W N Hogan, for fuel..... 10 68 Blakeman & Mason, for books, &c..... 11 26 Blakeman & Mason, for books, &c..... 44 73 John H Lyen, for printing, &c..... 21 50 J Pringle, for repairs..... 15 97

Clerk of board of education to pay for cleaning school houses:

Ralph.....	\$ 6 50
Riley.....	25 30
P Young.....	20 00
Miss Peake, 1 month's salary omitted.....	20 83

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Jersey City, September 8, 1863.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, enclosing returns of the following elections to, and resignations and expulsions from that department, confirmed by the fire commissioners:

Elections of George W Swain and Clay Tilden by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2; Christopher Mills and Abraham Post, by Engine Co. No. 1; Ferdinand Heizman, by Hose Co. No. 2; and George R Hillyer by Hose Co No 3.

Resignations of George W McLaughlin from Engine Co No 1; James Baily from Engine Co No 3; Jacob Fried and Balsar Shoets from Engine Co No 4; H A Halsey and Japhet Jardine from Engine Co No. 5; Henry E Farrier, Wm A Garretson, Henry Smith, and David Taylor from Hose Co No 3.

Expulsions of George Gardner, F P Hardenburgh, Matthew Hines, Terence O'Brien, Henry Steele, and Daniel Thomas by Engine Co No 2.

The communications were received, and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 5th inst., of the ordinance passed on the 1st inst., entitled "An ordinance to provide for filling, paving with Belgian pavement, and otherwise regulating Prospect street, from the north line of Pavia avenue, to the north line of North Seventh street."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "application to have Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, filled to the established grade, curbed, flagged, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By an ancient statute incorporated in the Alderman Hankins, from the Committee on Alms, presented the following opinion in relation to the alms house matters:

"Revision" of 1846, any board of chosen freeholders, of any county of the State was authorized to build a county poor house and to lay a county tax for its erection and maintenance.

Under this act the chosen freeholders of Hudson county in 1862, proceeded to erect a county poor house, and propose to levy a tax upon the property in Jersey City for its share of the expense of the erection and maintenance.

As Jersey City, in the year 1851, by lawful authority, erected an alms house for its poor, at a very considerable expense—and is now maintaining its own poor within its own borders—two questions arise,

1st. Must the poor of this city be sent to the county poor house?

2nd. Can the property in this city be taxed for its erection and the maintenance of the county poor there?

I think both questions must be answered in the negative.

The poor of Jersey City are provided for, and to be maintained according to the provisions of a special act of the legislature, to wit:—the charter of 1851.

As the charter is a statute, and was enacted five years after the act of 1846, and gives the city authorities express power to maintain the poor of Jersey City—the more recent statute giving the power to the city must be considered as a repeal by implication of so much of the older law as gives the power to the chosen freeholders.

The subsequent special grant to the city of the authority over the poor of Jersey City—displaces the former authority of the chosen freeholders.

Indeed, the courts hold that when there is a grant of a special authority to a city—it is not affected by a subsequent general law, unless the authority of the city is expressly taken away; much less can a previous general law nullify a subsequent special charter.

But this general law was never intended to authorize the taxation of any community for a county poor house if it had a legal poor house of its own.

The 42nd second section of the law of 1846, grants to every township the right to build a poor house of its own; provided, the chosen freeholders on request, will not go into the measure of building a county poor house; and, after the township has built or commenced its poor house, it provides "that it shall not be liable to pay or contribute in any manner whatever," towards building any subsequent county poor house, nor towards the support of the poor of the county.

This provision distinctly recognizes the injustice of the county laying a tax upon a township which has lawfully erected its own poor house. Here, Jersey City, by legal authority, built its poor house ten years before the chosen freeholders saw fit to build one for the county, and is within the intent and equity of the exemption contained in the statute of 1846.

It does not lessen the claim of the city to exemption because it did not first apply to the chosen freeholders—for the city applied to their superiors—the legislature; and the legislature dispensed with the formality—repealed that provision of the act—but the exemption remains—and the city is entitled to the benefit of it.

ROBERT GILCHRIST, Jr.,
Of Counsel.

To CHARLES M. HANKINS, esq., Chairman of Committee on Alms, &c.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the opinion, together with the mayor's communication and the opinion of the corporation attorney on the same subject, were ordered to be published in the minutes, and two thousand copies were ordered to be printed for distribution.

The same being as follows :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Sept., 1st, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common-Council :

On the 27th instant, I requested the corporation attorney to send me information on the following points, viz : First, Whether the authorities of Jersey City are obliged to send their poor to the county alms house; and second, Whether an assessment can be imposed on the property of the citizens of this city for the construction and maintenance of the same; to which he has responded in an opinion entirely contrary to the preconceived views of a large number of intelligent gentlemen of this city, with whom I had previously conversed on the subject as well as my own.

Having on several occasions, heretofore conferred with your honorable body in relation to the necessity of immediate steps towards providing for a change in this department; I desire at the earliest period to lay before you his views upon this all important subject, (which I herewith enclose,) to the end that our course of action may be definitely settled.

If I have misinterpreted the intention of the legislature, I desire to say that such mistake should at once be corrected, and the assessors be notified of the fact as well as the board of chosen freeholders.

It is unnecessary to add that I will cheerfully concur in such action in the premises as may conduce to the public good, and tend to decrease the heavy impositions with which our citizens are at the present time burthened.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }

Jersey City, August 27. 1863. }

R. D. McClelland, Esq., Corporation Attorney :

DEAR SIR—Please furnish me with information whether the corporate authorities of Jersey City are obliged to send their poor to the county alms house; and secondly, whether an assessment can be imposed on the property of the citizens of this city for the construction and maintenance of the same, and send the same to me at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

To His Honor the Mayor :

DEAR SIR—In answer to the questions asked of me in your communication of the 27th inst., and hereto annexed, I would respectfully furnish the following opinion :

The authority to build a county poor house is founded on an act approved April 16th, 1846, Nixon's digest, page 101. Provision is also made for the erection and maintenance of the same, and the payment of the expenses by assessment of taxes on the inhabitants of the respective townships and their estates. And it is further provided by the act that the poor of the county shall be sent to and kept in such poor house. In that act it is stated, sec. 42, that when the board shall refuse to build a poor house according to the provisions of the act in case of request of the freeholders of any township, such refusal shall be entered on the minutes, and such township may then proceed to build a poor house according to the directions of an act entitled an act for the settlement and relief of the poor; and after so building such township shall not be liable to pay or contribute in any manner whatsoever towards building or purchasing any poor house that may afterwards be directed to be built by the chosen freeholders of the county, nor to the support of the poor of the county unless by consent of a majority of the inhabitants of such township, and then such board shall make compensation to the township for the buildings and improvements which may by them have been built.

The legislature, in the year 1838, by an act to incorporate Jersey City, gave power to the com-

mon council of Jersey City to erect and maintain an almshouse, and by the act of 1851, also incorporating Jersey City, gave the common council power to manage, regulate, control, build and maintain an almshouse, and by a supplement to the last named act in 1858, gave authority to construct and maintain a work house, where paupers and a certain class of persons who might be committed by the recorder, might be obliged to work and labor.

Under these enactments the common council have proceeded to build at great expense an almshouse, work house and other buildings deemed necessary for the comfort of the poor, and these were all erected and carried on in full vigor before the board of chosen freeholders took any measures for the construction of a county institution.

The question, therefore, may be defined to be: Is the act of the chosen freeholders repealed as to Jersey City, by the acts relating to Jersey City? I find that in the act last named, approved in 1858, the legislature has incorporated a very strong repealing clause, which reads as follows: "That such parts of the said act, to which this is a supplement, and all other acts, or parts of acts, inconsistent with, or in anywise contravening the true intent and meaning of this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed."

By an examination of the act of 1858, it will be found that the workhouse is a mere adjunct of the almshouse, and that this idea is embraced in all parts of the act, in express language; and I think, therefore, the provisions of the same, pertinent to the one institution, are applicable to the other. Had the act of the board of chosen freeholders been passed since the act relating to Jersey City, the question would have been more embarrassing; as the courts of New Jersey have held that the provisions of a charter of a municipal corporation were delegations of portions of the sovereign power to the body corporate, not to be taken away by mere general words.

But in this case we are relieved from that embarrassment, by the fact that two of the acts relating to Jersey City have been passed since that of the board of freeholders, which, in my mind, leaves no doubt upon the subject.

If the statute said that a refusal of the board should permit a township to construct an almshouse, and exempt it from liability (which, as we have seen, has been done), why cannot the same power relieve Jersey City from all such responsibility—particularly when one of the acts contains so sweeping a clause of repeal as that of 1858?

I am of opinion—

First—That the corporate authorities of Jersey City are not obliged to send their poor to the county almshouse; and

Secondly—That no assessment can be made on the inhabitants of Jersey City, or their estates, for the construction, maintenance and support of such institution.

A contrary construction, if carried out in the multiplicity of municipal affairs, might result in the destruction of the body politic, by precipitating it into a hopeless state of insolvency.

The act relative to the powers of the board of chosen freeholders was originally passed over sixty years ago, when the state was comparatively a wilderness, and before cities of any extent had sprung up, possessing the franchises, powers and immunities now incorporated in their various charters; villages scattered here and there, and towns holding no special favors from the legislature, but exercising, for the most part, the mere rights and liberties bestowed on township authorities, constituted the largest legislative bodies under the supreme power of the State, and the act was consequently wisely and beneficently intended to guard the interests of the people of all the counties at the time it was passed; but, when thriving,

populous and commercial cities demanded from the legislature *special acts* for their protection, in order to enable them to proceed energetically to a consummation of their successful enterprises, the justice and propriety of the appeal was at once acknowledged, and the result may be seen to-day in a hundred municipalities which had dwindled away had the kindly aid of the legislature been withheld or denied. It cannot be that the people of a city, having contributed their means and resources towards the development of stable and expensive improvements, under the guarantee and sanction of special enactments, intended for their benefit, present and for time to come, should under a general law in existence at the time of the passage of their special chartered privileges, be despoiled of their property or the uses of it.

At all events, I have not been able to convince myself that such unjust and pernicious principles (which if carried out in this case may be enforced in others) could find a lodgment in the mind of any jurist; and accordingly send as my conclusions the above summary of my views.

Your obt. servant,

RICHARD D. MCLELLAND, Attorney.

Jersey City, August 28, 1863.

The Committee on Alms reported a copy of a notice served by their direction on the board of chosen freeholders.

The copy was ordered to be filed in the city clerk's office.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, a list of property still unredeemed, sold November 23, 1861, for unpaid assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for three hundred dollars be drawn in favor of the Committee on Fire and Water, for the purpose of assisting in defraying the expenses of the triennial parade of the fire department, and that the amount be taken from the license fund.

The report was received; the resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, on the call of Aldermen Edge, Nafew and Drake.

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox and Decker.

The Committee on Lamps, to whom was referred the petition of the Jersey City and Hoboken Railroad Company, presented September 1, 1863, presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Jersey City and Hoboken Horse Railroad Company have permission to place a lettered gas lamp on the sidewalk, opposite the stand of their cars, near the corner of Montgomery and Hudson streets, to project not over two feet over the carriage way, and to be elevated not less than twelve feet—to be placed there and lighted at their own expense.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police reported for confirmation as chancemen the names of the following persons: William Devine and Samuel Ramsey.

The report was received, and, on motion of Alderman Earle, the board proceeded to act on the nominations, by ballot.

Aldermen Hankins and Earle acted as tellers.

The nomination of William Devine was not confirmed by the following vote.

Yeas—Seven.

Nays—Five.

Blanks—Three.

The nomination of Samuel Ramsey was not confirmed, the vote being as follows:

Yeas—Six.

Nays—Five.

Blanks—Four.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred August 4, 1863, the petition of John McGraw and others, for the improvement of Greene street, from Steuben to Harsimus streets, presented a favorable report thereon, setting forth that a time of hearing was had on the 11th inst., at which no one appeared in opposition to the proposed improvement, and submitting the following entitled ordinance:

“An ordinance for the improvement of Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street.”

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting one sealed proposal, being the only one received by them in answer to their advertisement for proposals for contract to pave the carriage way of South Seventh street, between Brunswick street and Newark avenue, &c., and recommending that the said proposal be opened and read.

The report was received, its recommendation adopted and the proposal opened, read and found to be from Daniel W. Culver.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the proposal reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve South Seventh street, between the easterly line of Brunswick street and southerly line of Newark avenue, including intersections, be referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the said bidder, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party shall have given security satisfactory to the Committee on Streets for the faithful fulfillment of said contract.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

Of Imbley C. Carter, \$30; R. B. Earle & Co., \$4 44; Evan Jones, \$20; B. F. Woolsey, \$26 50.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of Ward & McGown, \$255 22; Japhet Jardine, \$18 57.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of B. F. Woolsey, \$58 35; A. M. C. Smith, \$3, 178 00; C. E. Hartshorn, \$10; Japhet Jardine, \$49 50.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Terhune Brothers, \$12 35.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of George C. Doyle, \$4 25; R. B. Earle & Co., \$16 88; Wilbur F. Stocking, \$33 50; Japhet Jardine, \$8 12.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William Coleman, \$19 74 and \$467 67.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Whereas, The New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company demand the same fares from Jersey City as from the city of New York to the various places on their road; and,

Whereas, In recent arrangements made by said company, impediments are thrown in the way of travelers, stopping and remaining for a short time in Jersey City; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Railroads be requested to confer with the said company, calling their attention to the above, and ascertaining whether they will not make such reduction from their rates as the citizens of Jersey City have a right to expect, and also to request said company to return to the former mode of giving ferry tickets, in all cases, to passengers for New York, so that they may remain, if they choose, in Jersey City for a while, and then pass over to New York, without any additional expense.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle:

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be, and they are hereby requested to cause the old pump in Washington street, between Essex and Bergen streets, to be removed, and the well flagged over.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the resolution was amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the well in Washington street, between Essex and Bergen streets, be cleaned, and a new pump be placed there, under the direction of the Committee on Fire and Water.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the resolution, as amended, was laid on the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and rejected:

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be requested to cause the posts now placed in Washington street, near Bergen street, to be removed, unless they deem it expedient that they remain.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent, suspended to enable the board to appoint viva voce a commissioner of appeals to fill the vacancy occasioned by the failure of Daniel Fielding to qualify. Whereupon, on motion of the same alderman Daniel Fielding was unanimously appointed such commissioner of appeals for the Fourth ward.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John W. Sandford.

Aldermen Edge and Edge were appointed and acted as tellers.

Two ballotings were had as follows, no choice being effected:

First balloting—

Robert Duffy received four votes.

Daniel Geraghty received two votes.

William Devine received two votes.

Edward McWilliams received one vote.

James Moran received one vote.

Patrick Murray received one vote.

— Shaffer received one vote.

James Rafter received one vote.

John Maxwell received two votes.

James Gilen received one vote.

Second balloting—

Daniel Geraghty received five votes.

William Devine received two votes.

John Maxwell received two votes.

Robert Duffy received one vote.

Patrick Murray received three votes.

Edward McWilliams received one vote.

James Rafter received two votes.

On motion of Alderman Nafew further balloting was postponed.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, October 6, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 15th, 1863, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Invitation from the chief engineer of the fire department to review said department on Monday, October 12, 1863, at 11 o'clock a.m., on the occasion of the triennial parade of said department.

Accepted, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Edge and adopted :

Resolved, That the marshal be authorized to procure six carriages for the use of the mayor, common council, and board of fire commissioners, and that they will in a body attend the triennial parade of the fire department.

Applications of Louis Krainik, Christopher Flinspach, John C. Hopkins, jr., Michael Reardon, Patrick Toner, Hugh O'Reilly, for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of William Armstrong, James Geary, Herman Wernsing, Bohl Kellers, for restaurant licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Joseph Hartmann for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit, &c.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Communication from John Trew, making inquiries as to the whereabouts of his wife

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Petition of John Murphy and others to have Coles street, from the northerly line of Pavonia avenue to the southerly line of North Second street regulated, filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered, flagged, bridged, &c.

Referred to the City Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz :

Of I C Carter, \$30; William Coleman, \$467 67, and \$19 74; G C Doyle, \$4 25; R B Earle & Co, \$16 88 and \$4 44; E C Hartshorn, \$10; Japhet Jardine, \$49 50, \$18 57, and \$8 12; Evan Jones, \$20; Thomas Lally, \$222; A M C Smith, \$3,178; W F Stocking, \$33 50; Ward & McGown, \$254 75; B F Woolser, \$58 35 and \$26 50.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of John Cear, \$358 63; William Connor, \$27; John Dunn, \$33 75; Nathaniel Ellis, \$34 72; Patrick Garvey, \$36; Michael Killeen, \$36; Thomas Lawless, \$22 50; John H Lyon, \$353 77, \$279 50, and \$189 70; Patrick Maden, \$22 50; Thomas Martin, \$50 25; James McDermott, \$54; Murty McConnill, \$6; John D Nolan, \$66 66; Owen O'Rourke, \$22 50; John Ryan, \$22 50; Patrick Torney, \$27; William Whitley, \$58 33.

A claim of police department, \$1,952 92, for services for September, 1863, was presented, referred to the Committee on Police, and subsequently (in miscellaneous business) reported correct and the claim ordered paid by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gafney, Edge and Terry.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Ege, Hankins and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Earle and Hough.

Previously to the adoption of the motion to pay the claim of the police department, Alderman Ege moved to recommit the same for a further examination, its correctness not being certified to by all of the Committee on Police.

The motion to recommit was rejected.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of policemen John O'Donnell, Snow, John Doyle, John Lee and Michael Simmons, on charges preferred against them by the chief of police, was presented, received and, on motion of Alderman Edge, referred to Committee on Police, with power to reinstate any of said policemen against whom the charges are not sustained.

A return of the collector of revenue of unpaid assessment for regulating Bright street, from Grove to Jersey street, was presented, received and, on motion of Alderman Decker, it was

Resolved, That the collector of revenue's return of delinquents on the assessment for regulating Bright street, from Grove to Jersey street, be referred to the Committee on Finance, with power to advertise and sell, according to law, the property described therein, and with power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of such sale, and with authority to suspend or adjourn the sale of the same, or any part thereof.

The report of Michael McKone, a gauger and inspector of domestic liquids, from June 24 to September 24, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The petition of William Harney and others for improvement of Grand street, from Warren to Grove street, referred to the corporation attorney September 15, 1863, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The petition of James Lynch and others for improvement of a portion of South Eighth street, referred to the corporation attorney September 1, 1863, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received, and the petition referred to Committee on Streets.

A communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancellation of sale of parts of lots 5, 6, 7 and 8 South Sixth street, in block 247, sold for assessment for culvert and receiving basin at northerly intersection of South Sixth street and Newark avenue, was presented and referred to Committee on Finance.

An estimate from the board of water commissioners of the cost of building a sewer in Morgan street, from a point distant fifty feet east of Prospect street to tide water at the Hudson river, as petitioned for by Alexander Hamilton and others, August 13, 1863, was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The city clerk presented a report of the filing in the city clerk's office, on the 5th instant, of the report and map of the commissioners of estimate and assessment in the matter of the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application June 23, 1863, by Alfred Berney, for a receiving basin and culvert on the northeast corner of South Eighth and Prospect streets.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application June 30, 1863, by Michael Mullone, for a lateral sewer in Greene street, &c. The report was received and ordered filed.

The following requisition was presented from the board of education, and on motion of Alderman Earle, warrants were ordered drawn in favor of the claimants named therein, and for the amounts respectively named:

To the Honorable the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City :

At a meeting of the board of education, held at their rooms on Monday evening, October 5, 1863, it was

Resolved, By the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken. That requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims :

In favor of the board of education for the payment of the salaries of teachers for the quarter ending 31st inst..	\$4,000 00
Charles Scott repairs upon public school No. 1, carpenter.....	175 34
Job Male, for bill paid Ab'm J. Brower, upon public school No. 1, painter....	121 69
R. B. Earle & Co., public school No. 1, furniture.....	132 37
Wm Bumsted and son, public school No. 1, mason.....	130 68
P. H. Nugent, public school No. 1, tinning.....	2 55
B. F. Woolsey, public school No. 1, nails.....	7 33
J. Male, public school No. 1, repairs....	5 75
T. C. & G. G. Brown, public school No. 1, muslin.....	2 79
McGraw & Co., public school No. 1, lumber.....	152 11
E. Steinmetz, public school No. 1, wall coloring.....	100 00
P. H. Nugent, public school No. 2, tinner.....	67 53
Japhet Jardine, public school No. 2, plumber.....	33 64
John Millar, public school No. 2, carpenter.....	105 30
R. B. Earle & Co., public school No. 3, furniture.....	43 94
Cronham & Wetterson, public school No. 3, painter.....	20 97
James McLaughlin, public school No. 3, carpenter.....	79 78
P. H. Nugent, public school No. 3, tinner.....	22 22
Japhet Jardine, public school No. 3, plumber.....	7 80

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, Oct. 6, 1863.

The city clerk laid before the board the assessor's tax list for 1863, for the First ward, and the same was received, and on motion of Alderman Cox, it was

Resolved, That the assessor's tax list for 1863, for the First ward, laid before the common council at this meeting by the city clerk be filed in the city clerk's office.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, declarations of sale to purchasers at sale made October 1, 1863, by the corporation of Jersey City, for unpaid taxes, assessments and water rents.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police presented a report nominating William Devine and Samuel Ramsey

as chance policemen, the following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That this board now proceed to ballot for the confirmation of William Devine and Samuel Ramsey as chance policemen.

The report was received and the resolution adopted, whereupon a balloting was had on each nomination, which resulted as follows :

Aldermen Hankins and Decker were appointed tellers.

William Devine received nine votes.

Martin Ward received two votes.

Yes—Three.

Three blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of William Devine as a chance policeman was declared confirmed.

Samuel Ramsey received ten votes.

Ramsdell received one vote.

Yes—Two.

No—One.

Three blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of Samuel Ramsey as a chance policeman was declared confirmed.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred August 18, 1863, the petition of Charles S. Archer, for the abatement of a nuisance in North First street, caused by excavations, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that the owners of said land have commenced to fill in said excavation, which, when completed, will effectually abate the nuisance, the following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That the communication of Charles S. Archer, in reference to a nuisance between Prospect and Provost streets, be continued in the hands of the Committee on Health, who are hereby empowered to take the measures necessary for the abatement of the same.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Railroads to whom was referred July 7, 1863, the petition of John G. Curtis and others, against the running of cars propelled by dummy engines by the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company within the limits of Jersey City, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that the committee make no recommendation thereon, &c.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman McBride ordered to lie on the table for one week.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them, September 1st, 1863, of the Long Dock Company and others, for the alteration of grades of portions of certain streets in the Fifth Ward, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Thursday, October 22, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on streets of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council, August 18, 1863, of Nathaniel Marsh, president of the Long Dock Company, and others, for the alteration of the grade of North Second and North Third streets, between the easterly side of Meadow street and the northerly side of Brunswick street; also of Provost street, between North Second and North Fourth streets; of Prospect street, Grove street, Erie street, and Jersey avenue, between North Second street and North Third street, and of Coles street, Monmouth street, and Brunswick street, between North First and North Fourth streets, in conformity to a map or diagram accompanying said application, entitled "map showing alterations of grades in a part of the Fifth Ward of Jersey city," and that the city clerk is hereby

directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them this evening, of James Lynch and others, for the improvement of South Eighth street, &c., presented a report thereon, accompanying the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Monday, November 2, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council September 1, 1863, of James Lynch and others, to have South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide; and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS,

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Davison & Headlam, \$13.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of Davison & Headlam, \$1.

Referred to Special Committee on Reception of 21st Regiment.

Of C N Betts, \$24 82; Claflin Mellen & Co, \$74 78; G E Cutter, \$10; Drayton & Durant, \$116 92; M Erwin, \$87 60; S A French, \$50 24; Nathaniel Hillyer, \$11 25; J J Hinchman & Co, \$13 86, and Hugh Reilly, \$31 89.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J R Wortendyke, F B Betts and R C Bacot, commissioners appointed for opening Montgomery street, \$501.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Of C N Betts, 88 cents; John Davenport, \$9; James Ford, \$25; J W Harrison, \$15 50 and \$12 60; Hughes & Piaget, \$33; Peter Lynch, \$9; and A B Reynolds, \$23 25.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Joseph McKee, \$112 50; J F Richardson, \$31 55; Short & Kempson, \$157 50; and J P Townsend, \$105 50.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of J W Thompson, \$18 50.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Davison & Headlam, \$5; H A Greene, \$4; and A G Mason, \$2 50.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of John Coar, \$17 75; and Karl & Pfahler, \$110 70.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Crow, \$5; Davison & Headlam, \$10; McLain & Flinn, \$8 21; Peter Waggoner, \$12, \$8 50 and \$7 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of John Coar, \$26; and William Coleman, \$60 07.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of C N Betts, \$3 25.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Terry the report and following resolution of the Committee on Fire and Water, presented June 23, 1863, on the petition of C. Van Vorst and others, for a steam fire engine for Engine Company No. 5, were taken from the table:

Resolved, That this board take action to procure a steam fire engine to be placed in charge of Engine Company No. 5, and that the amount required for the purchase thereof be raised by bonds or otherwise, as the board may see fit.

Alderman Gafney moved to amend the resolution by inserting "and for Engine Company No. 1, at an expense of three thousand five hundred dollars each."

The amendment was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gafney, Nafew and Terry:

Yeas—Aldermen Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney and Nafew.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Ege, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Alderman Drake moved

"That the whole subject be laid on the table."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, on the call of Aldermen Terry, Edge and Drake:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, Ege, Hankins and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Whereas, The city treasurer did, in the month of August, 1863, advance to the "committee to pay bounties to volunteers," the sum of thirty thousand dollars, taking their receipt for the same, and upon the condition that they would substitute a proper voucher for the same;

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn upon the city treasurer in favor of the Committee on Finance (the bounty committee having been discharged), for the sum of thirty thousand dollars, and that said committee be instructed to endorse the same over to the city treasurer, the same to be held by him as his proper voucher for said money, advanced by him.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance, presented September 15, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance for the improvement of Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman McBride, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets."

On motion of Alderman Earle, the board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman.

Seven ballotings were had as follows—no choice being effected:

Alderman Ege and Earle were appointed and acted as tellers:

First balloting—

Daniel Geraghty received three votes.
John Maxwell received three votes.
James Moran received one vote.
Owen Lee received two votes.
James Rafter received one vote.
Edward L. McWilliams received three votes.
Robert Duffy received two votes.
Two blanks were cast.

Second balloting—

Daniel Geraghty received one vote.
John Maxwell received two votes.
Owen Lee received one vote.
James Rafter received two votes.
Edward L. McWilliams received seven votes.
Robert Duffy received four votes.

Third balloting—

Daniel Geraghty received one vote.
John Maxwell received three votes.
Edward L. McWilliams received six votes.
Robert Duffy received four votes.
James Rafter received three votes.

Alderman McBride moved that further balloting be postponed.

The motion was lost.

Fourth balloting—

Edward L. McWilliams received eight votes.
Robert Duffy received one vote.
James Rafter received three votes.
John Maxwell received four votes.
Daniel Geraghty received one vote.

Fifth balloting—

Edward L. McWilliams received nine votes.
John Maxwell received five votes.
Robert Duffy received three votes.

Alderman Pangborn moved "that further balloting be postponed."

The motion was lost.

Sixth balloting—

Edward L. McWilliams received nine votes.
John Maxwell received six votes.
Robert Duffy received two votes.

Seventh balloting—

Edward L. McWilliams received nine votes.
John Maxwell received seven votes.
Robert Duffy received one vote.

On motion of Alderman McBride further balloting was postponed.

(Alderman Earle obtained leave and retired.)

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Nafew and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to have an addition built on hose house No. 6, at a cost not to exceed one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Resolved that the Committee on Alms be authorized to purchase the necessary coal for the use of the alms house and out door poor.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted.

Resolved that the piling of boards and lumber on Payonia avenue be and is hereby declared to be a nuisance, and that the Committee on Public Health be and are hereby empowered to cause the same to be removed.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted.

Resolved, That the corporation attorney is hereby requested to give at the next meeting of the common council his opinion, in writing, as to the power to impound goats found running at large in Jersey City, and whether the recent act of the legislature on that subject is prohibitory as to the impounding of said animals.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Pangborn and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Assessments are hereby authorized to employ some person, at an expense not exceeding ten dollars, to serve notices on the property owners assessed for the improvement of Canal street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, to attend a meeting for the purpose of endeavoring to arrange satisfactorily the matters in dispute in reference to said assessment.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted.

Be it Resolved, That permission is hereby given to the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey to drive such piles in the Communipaw cove, within the limits of the city, in the manner authorized by the act by which the said company is incorporated, as may be necessary for their contemplated road, provided that in so doing they do not interfere with any order of the chancellor of this state heretofore made in the premises.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Duff and adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be requested to confer with the board of water commissioners as to the propriety of procuring from the legislature at its next session such revision or amendments to the present sewerage act as they shall deem necessary, and report to this board the result of their conference.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Decker and adopted:

Resolved, That this common council will, at its next regular meeting, proceed to consider and act on the license applications now before the board.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted:

Resolved, That the Montgomery street sewer, from Henderson street to Gregory street, and the sewer in Gregory street, from the intersection of said street with Montgomery street, to its junction with York street, be cleared, under the direction of the Committee on Sewers.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, October 13, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 6th inst. were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Henry Taylor and others, owners of property on Canal street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, to have a bulkhead built along the edge of the street, to retain the earth, &c.

Referred to Committee on Ferries and Wharves.

Remonstrance of Algernon S. Jarvis against the granting of an inn and tavern or restaurant license to James Geary, on North Fifth street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Application of Eugene Frank for an inn and tavern license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company for the privilege of constructing, at their own expense, so much of the sewer applied for in Greene street as will be covered by the railroad tracks.

Referred to Committee on Sewers, and subsequently (in the order of "reports of committees") the Committee on Sewers presented a report recommending that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that a copy of the petition, with the action of the common council endorsed thereon, be presented to the board of Water Commissioners by the city clerk.

The report was received and, on motion of Alderman Earle, its consideration was ordered to be postponed for one week.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of C N Betts, \$24 82, \$3 25 and 88 cents; Clafin, Mellen & Co., \$74 78; John Coar, \$17 75; William Coleman, \$60 07; John Crow, \$5; G E Cutter, \$10; Davison & Headlam, \$13, \$10, \$5 and \$1; Drayton & Durant, \$117 02; Matthew Erwin, \$87 60; James Ford, \$25; S A French, \$50 24; H A Greene, \$4; J W Harrison, \$15 50 and \$12 60; J J Hinchman & Co., \$13 86; Nathaniel Hillyer, \$11 25; Peter Lynch, \$9; A G Mason, \$2 50; Joseph McKee, \$106 25; McLain and Flinn, \$8 21; Hugh Reilly, \$31 84; A B Reynolds, \$23 25; J F Richardson, \$31 55; Short & Kempton, \$157 50; J W Thompson, \$18 50; J P Townsend, \$105 50; Peter Waggoner, \$12, \$8 50 and \$7 50.

A claim of Karl and Pfahler, \$110 70 for monument for soldiers burial lot in New York bay cemetery referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings October 6, 1863, was returned by said committee.

The claim was referred to the Special Committee on Monument and was subsequently reported correct by said committee and ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The city clerk laid before the board the assessor's tax list for 1863, for the Fourth ward, and the same was received, and on motion of Alderman Cox, it was

Resolved, That the assessor's tax list for 1863, for the Fourth ward, laid before the common council at this meeting by the city clerk be filed in the city clerk's office.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor, on the 10th instant of the

ordinance [passed October 6, 1863, entitled "An ordinance for the improvement of Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street."

The report was received and ordered filed.

A communication from the board of commissioners of assessments in reference to the improvement of Canal street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, suggesting the propriety of a conference with the Morris Canal and Banking Company, in order that means may be jointly taken by said company and the city, for the construction of a bulkhead along the south side of said street, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Ferries and Wharves.

An opinion of the corporation attorney in answer to a resolution of the common council as to the power to impound goats found running at large in Jersey City, and whether the recent act of the legislature on that subject is prohibitory as to the impounding of said animals was presented, received, ordered to be printed in the minutes and filed in the city clerk's office.

Said opinion being as follows:

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—To a resolution passed by your honorable body at your last meeting, to the effect that the corporation attorney be requested to give his opinion, in writing, as to the power to impound goats found running at large in Jersey City, and whether the recent act of the legislature on that subject is prohibitory as to impounding of said animals; I would say:

That the act of the legislature approved March 19, 1862, and the supplement approved March 14, 1863, were not intended nor can they be construed to interfere in any way with the rights of any municipal corporation heretofore conferred. The design of the act was merely to authorize the destruction of those animals, substituting the stringent remedy—at any freeholder's option—for the more uncertain one of impounding the same. I am therefore convinced that the said acts are not prohibitory as to the impounding of goats. It may be important to call the attention of your honorable body, and through your honorable body the attention of the citizens, to the provisions of the acts.

The acts do not confer the power of killing goats on any and every person who may be troubled or annoyed by the animals in question. The act of 1862 authorizes freeholders, and freeholders alone, to kill them when trespassing on their enclosed lands, or running at large on the public highways; and it follows that should any person other than a freeholder kill any goat, or any freeholder kill any goat found in places other than their enclosed land or in a public highway, he would be held responsible as a trespasser.

The act further provides that the freeholder so killing such animal shall inform the owner thereof, if easily to be found, and if no owner can be so found, or if found shall not appear and take such goat or goats away, such person who shall kill any goat or goats shall within fifteen hours after such killing give notice to the overseer of the poor, who shall dispose of such goat or goats for the benefit of the poor.

It will be found that he who takes upon himself the responsible position of goat executioner, under this act, possesses an office which can be termed anything but a sinecure. For the privilege extended by the act he is held responsible for a strict fulfillment of the provisions of the same.

First—He must give notice immediately after such killing to the owner of the goat, if he can be found, that his property has been destroyed.

Secondly—He must watch for fourteen hours or less, and learn whether the owner has removed the goat.

Thirdly—He must, in case the goat is not removed by the owner within a reasonable time, notify the overseer of the poor within fifteen hours after such killing of the same, and for default in either of these duties he becomes in law a trespasser from the beginning; that is to say, he might be mulct in damages for the killing of the animal.

I think it is very important that the public should understand the provisions of this law, which knowledge may serve to restrain litigation by guarding people against an infringement.

Your obedient servant,

RICHARD D. McCLELLAND,

Attorney.

The corporation attorney, to whom was referred, on the 6th instant, the petition of John Murphy and others for the improvement of Coles street, between Pavonia avenue and North Second street, presented a report thereon, returning said petition as not drawn in legal form.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, enclosing returns of the following elections in and resignations and expulsions from said department, confirmed by the fire commissioners:

Elections of James Hoare, Nicholas Finnegan, Michael Moore, Michael Coleman and Francis Karney, by Engine Co. No. 2; Patrick Delaney, James Barnes and Thomas McNaney, by Engine Co. No. 3; Isaac H. Jennings, by Engine Co. No. 4; John H. Morrison, by Engine Co. No. 5; John Clos by Hose Co. No. 2; Josiah Jones and Herbert Closter, by Hose Co. No. 4; John English, John Higgins, Lawrence Sheridan and Matthew Hughes, by Hose Co. No. 6; Charles M. Erwin and James S. Bradley by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1. Resignations of Cornelius Bush from Engine Co. No. 1, Michael Hall and John Cokely from Hose Co. No. 4, W J Van Duser, R M Jordan, J E Holbrook, Augustus Brown and A H Vroom from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, N B Rommel from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2. Expulsions of Richard Wandle and Henry P. Royle from Engine Co. No. 1, and John A Schuyler from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred August 4, 1863, the petition of David Crocheron for a license as a city auctioneer, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license as a city auctioneer be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to David Crocheron, on his paying the license fees and giving the bond required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on Licenses reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution passed July 7, 1863, granting a license to Robert Harriot to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, be rescinded, for the reason that the said Harriot has not paid the license fee and has enlisted in the United States volunteers.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Joseph Hartman, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Edward Gilleland, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named persons for restaurant licenses.

The reports were received and the resolutions disposed of as follows:

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Armstrong to keep a restaurant at the northwest corner of Newark avenue and Grove street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Herman Wernsing to keep a restaurant at No. 1 Eriestreet, corner of Bay street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Bohl Kellers to keep a restaurant at No. 83 Sussex street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Short to keep a restaurant at No. 227 Grand street, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Charles Busch to keep a restaurant at corner of Warren and Steuben streets, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thompson & Crawl to keep a restaurant at No. 26 Exchange place, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege, and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for inn and tavern licenses, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

The reports were received and the resolutions disposed of as follows:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Toner, to keep an inn and tavern at 4 Prospect street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh O. Reilly to keep an inn and tavern at 267 Newark avenue, in the Sixth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking,

Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Louis Kraink to keep an inn and tavern at 225 Grand street, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John C. Hopkins, jr., to keep an inn and tavern at 22 Exchange Place, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege, and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Reardon to keep an inn and tavern at 213 Provost street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Christopher Flinspach to keep an inn and tavern at 33 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Ferdinand Wirtz to keep an inn and tavern at 90 Montgomery street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Donovan to keep an inn and tavern at 133 Pavonia avenue, in the Fifth Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Mrs. Caselman to keep an inn and tavern at 330 South Seventh street in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking,

Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Love to keep an inn and tavern at N. W. corner of York and Hudson streets, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Simon Hempelman to keep an inn and tavern at No. 159 Greene street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henry J. Callo to keep an inn and tavern at No. 278 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Luke Concannon to keep an inn and tavern at No. 239 Newark avenue, in the Sixth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Owen McCue to keep an inn and tavern at No. 220 Grove street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wendel Greene to keep an inn and tavern at 15 and 17 Montgomery street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Philip Landmesser to keep an inn and tavern at 233 Grand street, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Jacob Wilhelm to keep an inn and tavern at 70 Railroad avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was recommended May 19, 1863, the petition of J. C. Schofield and others, for the abatement of a nuisance in the building corner of Wayne and Henderson streets presented a report thereon, setting forth that the nuisance complained of has been abated, &c.

The report was received, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the petition.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred July 21st, 1863, the petition of Thomas Ward and others, for the abatement of a nuisance in lot 55 Bright street, caused by stagnant water, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That notice be served by the street commissioner on the owner or owners, agent or agents of lot No. 55 Bright street, requiring him or them to fill said lot to a depth of two feet and fence the same within the space of fifteen days after service of a copy of such notice—a quantity, of stagnant water and garbage now lying thereon, from which an offensive odor arises which said notice shall further notify said owners or their agents, that in case they or either of them refuse or neglect so to do within the time aforesaid, this common council do hereby order the same to be done under the direction of the committee on streets, and that the expense of such filling and fencing in such case of neglect or refusal, shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as of other improvements provided for by the fifty-second section of the charter or the supplements touching the same, and be it fur her

Resolved, That in case no owner or agent of the lot heretofore described can be found within the limits of Jersey City to be served with the notice aforesaid, the said common council do hereby order that a copy of this resolution be published in the corporation paper, the AMERICAN STANDARD, for the space of ten days before said improvement shall be proceeded with.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred, July 21, 1863, the petition of Alfred Berney for a receiving basin and culvert on the northeast corner of South Eighth and Prospect streets, and to whom was referred, July 21, 1863, the estimate of the board of water commissioners of the cost of said basin, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, On the 23d day of June, 1863, an application was made to the common council of Jersey City for the construction of a receiving basin and culvert on the northeast corner of South Eighth and Prospect streets, and notice for ob-

jections to the same having been duly published, and the time for a hearing appointed; and, Whereas, No objections to the construction of said receiving basin and culvert have been made or presented; therefore,

Resolved, That a receiving basin and culvert on the northeast corner of South Eighth and Prospect streets ought to be constructed, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to notify the board of water commissioners of this decision and determination of the common council.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on sewers to whom were referred July, 21, 1863, the petition of Michael Mullone for a lateral sewer in Green st., &c., and the estimate of the board of water commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, on the 30th day of June, 1863, an application was made to the common council of Jersey City for the construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street, from a point 50 feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street, to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street, with the necessary man holes, receiving basins, &c., and notice for objections to the same having been duly published, and the time for a hearing appointed; and

Whereas, no objections to the construction of said lateral sewer have been made or presented; therefore,

Resolved, That a lateral sewer in Greene street, from a point 50 feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street, to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street, with the necessary man holes, receiving basins, culverts, &c., the whole to correspond in all essential particulars with the general sewerage act, ought to be constructed, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to notify the board of water commissioners of this decision and determination of the common council, and to request them to allow the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to do their own work along side of and through their own property, in accordance with their application received this evening.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Earle the consideration of the preamble and resolution was ordered to be postponed for one week.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting three sealed proposals received by them, in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to improve Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, Daniel W. Culver and D. E. Culver.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted :

Resolved, That the three proposals, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to fill to the established grade, pave with Belgian pavement, and otherwise regulate Prospect street, from the north line of Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Seventh street, including intersections, be referred to the

Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that, on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of William Ewan, \$4 78, and Woolsey & Smith, \$30.

Referred to the Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$33 08; Mrs. C. Lynch, \$6, and Terhune Brothers, \$29 40.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J. B. Haight, \$5.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Of Garret Cooper, \$300; Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$108 80; J. W. Harrison, \$15 80; Smith, Mead, \$25 73; Bernard McGuigan, \$18 73, \$12 37; \$10 51; \$8 71 and \$6 63.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$1,879 62.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$99 50.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$37 38.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of James Carroll, \$23 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of John Dermody, \$28 50.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of William Conner, \$9; Patrick Garvey, \$11; James Griffin, \$15 25; Michael Killeen, \$12; Thomas Lawless, \$6 88; Patrick Madden, \$7 50; James McDermott, \$15; Owen O'Rourke, \$6 88; John Ryan, \$7 50; Terhune Brothers, \$18 03, and Patrick Tormey, \$8 25.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be instructed to give, at the next meeting of the common council his opinion, in writing, as to the power of this board to request the board of water commissioners to permit the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company to do their own work along and through their property in the contemplated construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street, and whether, on said request, the board of water commissioners would be authorized to grant such privilege to the aforesaid company.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Edge, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night police.'"

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 6th instant, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"A supplement to an ordinance, entitled an ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Ege:

Whereas, By the great number of trains run daily over the New Jersey Railroad, through and across the streets of our city, and by the great velocity of the trains, and the inadequate safeguards against accident maintained by the company, the lives of our citizens traversing our streets are greatly endangered and frequently destroyed; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on ——— of this common council be requested to confer with the New Jersey Railroad Company, upon the subject of the above preamble, and in case they fail to procure a satisfactory arrangement from the company, by which the lives of our citizens shall be in this particular, rendered more secure, that then they be instructed to report an ordinance to this board at a future meeting, repealing all existing ordinances upon the subject, and regulating the speed of the cars within the limits of the city.

The blank in the resolution was filled with the words "*Rail Roads*," and the preamble and resolution were then adopted.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman.

Aldermen Hankins and Decker were appointed tellers.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows:

Edward L. McWilliams received eleven votes.

Daniel Geraghty received one vote.

James Ratters received three votes.

Martin Ward received one vote.

Whereupon Edward L. McWilliams having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a policeman.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Terry and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to advertise for proposals for lighting the oil street lamps, and furnishing the oil, and keeping the lanterns and lamps in repair for one year.

On motion of Alderman Decker the vote was reconsidered, by which was ordered paid on the 6th inst., the claim of I. C. Carter, \$30, for meals furnished First ward recruits, and on motion of the same alderman, the claim was recommitted to the committee.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Pangborn:

Resolved, That the assessment for the regulation of Canal street, from the east line of Grove street, to the west line of Jersey avenue, including intersections, be confirmed.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Cox and Hough.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge and adopted.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasury, in favor of Marshal Ellis, for thirty dollars, to defray the expense of carriage hire at the fireman's parade.

On motion of Alderman Ege the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, October 20, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 13th inst. were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Mary Fullman, setting forth that her husband is in the army, and asking that her child, who is deaf and dumb, be placed in the asylum at Carmansville, N. Y.

Referred to Committee on Alms

Petition of A. H. Wallis to have issued to him a declaration of sale of lot 90 Washington street, in block 34, sold to H. E. Insley September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, the certificate of sale having been assigned to him by Mr. Insley.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Messrs. D. W., J. W., I. B. and D. E. Culver, to have cancelled sale made September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, of lot 61, in block 35, the taxes having been paid to the collector of arrears of taxes for that year.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Applications of Louis Heller, Dietrick Muller, John Purcell, Michael McKone, and Patrick Halligan, for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of F. P. Jones for a license whereby he can employ an assistant solicitor of baggage under his public porter's license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Joseph Schure for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 13 Brunswick street.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Clark & Stiele and others for the construction of a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of George McLoughlin to have the sidewalks on the north side of Mercer street, from Grove to Henderson streets, refilled and reflagged the full width.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

Petition of D. S. Gregory, jr., and others, to have the sidewalk opposite lots 1, 3 and 5, in block 36, Bacot's map, on the south side of Grand street, refilled to the established grade, and the flagging repaired.

Referred to corporation attorney.

Petition of A. S. Jarvis and others for the establishment of a grade on North Fourth street, between the west line of Hudson street and the east line of Meadow street, to conform to a diagram accompanying the application.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Garret Cooper, \$300; John Cair, \$26; William Connor, \$9; John Dermody, \$28 50; John Davenport, \$9; William Ewan, \$4 78; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$108 80 and \$37 33; Patrick Garvey, \$11; James Griffin, \$15 25; J W Harrison, \$15 80; J B Haight, \$5; Hughes & Piaget, \$33; Michael Killeen, \$12; Thomas Lawless, \$6 88; Mrs C Lynch, \$6; Patrick Maden, \$7 50; Smith Mead, \$25 73; James McDermott, \$15; Bernard McGuigan, \$18 73, \$12 87, \$10 51, \$6 71 and \$6 63; Owen O'Rourke, \$6 88; John Ryan, \$7 40; Terhune Brothers, \$29 40 and \$18 03; Patrick Tormey, \$8 25; J R Wortendyke, F B Betts and R C Bacot, commissioners for opening Montgomery street, \$501; and Woolsey & Smith, \$30.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of E P Budden, \$50; Patrick Corrigan, \$300; John Craven, \$300; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; G W Cassely, \$166 68 and \$50; J B Haight, \$100; J V Hardenbergh, \$100; Smith Mead, \$300; T F Morris, \$50; J H Rommel, \$25; and P D Vroom, \$50.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A return from the board of water commissioners of unpaid assessments for building sewers in South First street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, and from Grove street to the Hudson river, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

An opinion from the corporation attorney in answer to a resolution passed October 13, 1863, as to the power of the common council to request the board of water commissioners to permit the New Jersey Railroad Company to do their own work along and through their property in the construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street, and whether on said request the board of water commissioners would be authorized to grant such privilege to the aforesaid company, was presented, received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Ege and adopted:

Resolved, That the communication of the city attorney in reference to the lateral sewer proposed to be constructed in Greene street, be referred to the board of water commissioners, with a request that they furnish this board with such information relating thereto as may be in their possession.

A communication from the board of fire commissioners announcing the suspension of George W Speyer, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, from the fire department for three months, for running the apparatus of his company into that of Hose Company No. 2, while proceeding to a fire, was presented, received and the action of said commissioners approved and confirmed.

A certificate of the comptroller of the amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers, and standing to the credit of the board of water commissioners, was presented, received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Cox and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the board of water commissioners for the sum of two thousand dollars, being amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers, and standing to the credit of said board, as appears by the certificate of the comptroller presented this evening.

The city clerk laid before the board the assessors tax lists for 1863, for the Third and Sixth wards, and the same were received, and on motion of Alderman Cox it was

Resolved, That the assessors tax lists for 1863, for the Third and Sixth wards, laid before the common council at this meeting by the city clerk, be filed in the city clerk's office.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Alms to whom was referred on the 6th inst, the communication from John Trew, making inquiries as to the whereabouts of his wife, presented a report thereon setting forth that they have been unable to find the persons named in the petition.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in reference to the assessment for the improvement of Canal street, from Grove street to

Jersey avenue, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That improvement certificates be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of James F. Fielder, for one thousand two hundred and fifty-two dollars and twenty-one cents, being the balance due him on his contract for improvement of Canal street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Hugh Keenan, for one hundred and twenty-one dollars and twenty-five cents, being the amount of his bill for superintending the improvement of Canal street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Delos E. Culver, for ninety-three dollars and seventy-two cents, being the amount of his bill for surveys, calculations and assessment maps of the improvement of Canal street, from Grove street to Jersey avenue, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred August 4, 1863, the petition of Thomas Haley for a hack driver's license, presented a report thereon recommending that the petitioner be allowed to withdraw the petition, &c.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 13th inst., the petition of Eugene Frank for an inn and tavern license, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Eugene Frank, to keep an inn and tavern at 249 Newark avenue, in the Sixth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred on the 6th inst., the communication of his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policemen O'Donnell, Snow, Doyle, Lee and Simmons, on charges preferred against them by the chief of police, presented reports thereon setting forth that they have suspended Policemen O'Donnell, Doyle and Simmons for the period of forty days, and Policemen Snow and Lee for the period of twenty days, from the date of the mayor's communication (October 6, 1863).

The reports were received and the action of the committee confirmed.

The Committee on Police presented a report nominating John Maxwell as a chance policeman, the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That this board now proceed to ballot for the confirmation of John Maxwell as chance policeman.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

A balloting was had which resulted as follows: Aldermen Hankins and Decker were appointed tellers.

Yes—Thirteen

No—Two

Two blanks were cast.

Whereupon the nomination of John Maxwell, as a chance policeman, was declared confirmed.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred June 16, 1863, the petition of W. W. Knight, for the abatement of a nuisance on lot No. 127 Morgan street, presented a report thereon setting forth that the nuisance complained of has been abated.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred on the 6th inst., the petition of William Harney and others, to have Grand street, from Warren street to Grove street, raised to the established grade, presented an adverse report thereon, setting forth that the street has been recently repaved, and that the committee are informed that an application will be made in the spring to have said street paved with Belgian pavement.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred June 30, 1863, the petition of Patrick Dixon and others, for improvement of North First street, from Provost street to Prospect street, &c., and to whom was referred September 1, 1863, the remonstrance of Charles S. Archer against said improvement, presented a report thereon adverse to making said improvement, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.
Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of J. W. Harrison, \$16 48; O'Conner & Pearson, \$38 94, and J. W. Schanck, \$123 35.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William Conner, \$8 25; Patrick Garvey, \$11; Michael Kileen, \$11; Patrick Miden, \$6 88; James McDermott, \$15; Owen O'Rourke, \$6 88; John Ryan, \$6 88; Philip Smyth, \$188 50, and Patrick Tarmey, \$8 25.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis, and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to hire some suitable person or persons to deliver the tax bills for the present year.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Pangborn and adopted:

Resolved, That the use of the second and third stories, entire, of the city hall be, and is, hereby tendered to the Ladies' Relief Association, in which to hold a fair for the benefit of the families of volunteers and the relief of widows and orphans of deceased soldiers.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman McBride:

Resolved, That notices be served on the owners or agents of such owners of lots numbers one, three and five, in block thirty-six (36), as the same are laid down on map of Jersey City, Hudson county, New Jersey, 1861, made by R. C. Baco, city surveyor, requiring them and each of them to refill the sidewalks to the established grade opposite said lots, and cause the flagging thereon to be repaired within the space of thirty days after service of a copy of such notice, which said notices shall further notify said owners of their agents that in case they or any of them re-

fuse or neglect so to do within the time aforesaid, this common council do hereby order the same to be done under the direction of the Committee on Streets, and that the expense of such refilling and repairing of flag in such case of neglect or refusal shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as of other improvements provided for by the 52d section of the charter or the supplement touching the same; and be it further

Resolved, That in case no owner or agent of said owner of any of the lots heretofore described can be found within the limits of Jersey City to be served with the notice aforesaid, the said common council do hereby order that a copy of this resolution be published in the corporation paper (THE AMERICAN STANDARD) for the space of ten days before such improvement shall be proceeded with.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Hough.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Whereas, On or about the 25th day of April, 1859, ex-Alderman Thomas E. Tilden, then chairman of Committee on Alms, deposited in the city treasury the sum of forty dollars, for safe keeping, the property of Mary Bray, a lunatic, then in the almshouse, but afterwards sent to Trenton; and,

Whereas, The said Mary Bray has been discharged from the Trenton asylum (cured), and is now in want of said money to procure necessary clothing, &c.; therefore,

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for the sum of forty dollars, with interest at rate of seven per cent per annum, in favor of Mary Bray, and that the mayor and city clerk be requested to affix their signatures thereto.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Decker and adopted:

Resolved, That under the ordinance to establish, regulate and control the police department it is the duty of the officers and members of the department to use diligence and exert themselves to the utmost to ascertain and make complaint against all persons guilty of any violation of the laws and ordinances respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors or drinks, and it is their duty to enter into any premises where they have any reason to believe the same are illegally sold.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the chief of police, and that he is hereby instructed to direct the officers and members of the police department to ascertain the names of and make complaint before the recorder against all persons who are engaged in selling liquors

without license from the mayor and common council of Jersey City, this course (even if no other reason existed; being due to those parties who have paid their license fees and taken out their licenses, and thus complied with the city ordinances governing this subject.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, the board proceeded to the appointment of a ward clerk for the Fourth ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Thomas Myers from the city.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and, on his motion, Samuel W. Hoyt was *viva voce* unanimously appointed ward clerk of the Fourth ward.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, the board proceeded to the appointment of two judges of election for the Fourth ward, to fill the vacancies caused by the failure of John Clos and George Stratford to qualify.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and, on his motion, John Clos and Thomas Mahoney, jr., were *viva voce* unanimously appointed judges of election for the Fourth ward.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted:

Resolved, That the board go into an election for judge of election for the Fifth ward, to fill the vacancy occasioned by Michael McDermott's failure to qualify.

Whereupon a balloting was had, which resulted as follows:

Michael McDermott was nominated by Alderman Drake.

Isaac Gough was nominated by Alderman Gaddis.

Aldermen Drake and Earle were appointed tellers.

Michael McDermott received five votes.

Isaac Gough received twelve votes.

Whereupon Isaac Gough, having received the requisite number of votes, was declared appointed a judge of election for the Fifth ward.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Kane:

Resolved, That the polls in the Fifth ward, at the approaching election, be held at the justices' office, No. 139 South Second street, and that the polls in the remaining wards be held at the same places at which the last annual charter election was held.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the resolution was amended so as to read as follows, and, as amended, was adopted:

Resolved, That the polls in the several wards of the city, at the approaching election, be held at the same places at which the last annual charter election was held.

On motion of Alderman Kane, the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Special meeting at the common council chamber, Thursday, October 22, 1863, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Cox, Drake, Edge, Hough and Kane.

The call of the meeting was read by the city clerk, and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Oct. 21, 1863. }

GEO. W. CASSEDY, esq., City Clerk.

DEAR SIR—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the common council, to be held at their chamber on Thursday evening, October 22d, inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of considering an invitation from the Jersey City Ferry Company to visit the Russian squadron in the new ferryboat "New York."

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following communication from his honor the mayor, was presented and received:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Oct. 22, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

The purpose for which you have been convened, viz: the consideration of an invitation to pay your respects to the officers of the Russian squadron on board the ferry boat "New York," is one which will doubtless receive the cordial approbation of every member of your honorable body. The generous sympathy manifested towards our beleaguered country during its present painful struggle renders it a pleasing duty to extend to the representatives of such government the assurances of a hearty welcome in their introduction to American waters.

In case of your acceptance of the kindly proffer contained in the invitation herewith enclosed, it will be necessary to take some measures in order to perfect the preliminary arrangements.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The invitation above referred to being as follows:

JERSEY CITY, October 19, 1863.

HON. J. B. ROMAR, MAYOR OF JERSEY CITY:

SIR—It is said that the authorities of this city desire to pay their respects in person to the officers of the Russian squadron, now at anchor in the bay of New York. I am directed to tender to you and the common council the use of the new ferry boat New York, for that purpose, prior to her being placed on the ferry, to take place in November. She will be in perfect order and at your service any day next week you may appoint for the visit.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, sir,
Your obedient servant,
CHAS. H. WOOLSEY, Superintendent.

On motion of Alderman Terry it was

Resolved, That his honor the mayor be requested to accept the courteous tender by the ferry company of the use of the new ferry boat New York, in which to visit the Russian squadron.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gaddis:

Whereas, In the midst of the terrible civil war now waging in our country between different sections thereof, we have viewed with no common interest the effect produced as affecting the relations of the United States with foreign powers; and,

Whereas, We have witnessed with pleasing emotions the kindly course pursued towards us by the Russian government and the opportunity afforded for the interchange of sentiments and mutual good-will by the presence in the waters of the bay of New York of representatives of the naval power of Russia has already been embraced by the civic authorities of the Empire City in an extension of their courtesies; therefore, be it

Resolved, That his honor the mayor of Jersey City be requested to signify to Admiral Lessaffski, and the officers of the Russian fleet the sentiments of respect entertained for them by the people of Jersey City, and the wish of the members of the corporation of Jersey City to pay them the respects due as the representatives of a government which has always entertained such feelings of friendship for our Union and its perpetuity.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the preamble was amended by striking out the words "waters of the bay of New York," and inserting in their place the words "adjacent harbor."

The preamble and resolution, as amended, were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Nafew and Ege:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Alderman McBride.

Absent—Alderman Cox, Drake, Edge, Hough and Kane.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to act in conjunction with his honor the mayor, who shall be chairman thereof, to make the necessary arrangements for the proposed visit to the Russian squadron.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, it was

Resolved, That the President of the common council be made one of the committee to be named thereon, next to his honor the mayor.

[Aldermen Earle, Gaddis and Hankins were appointed the committee.]

On motion of Alderman Ege, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, October 27, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Clarke, and Alderman Broking, Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Decker, Drake, Hough and Kane.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 20th instant, and of the special meeting of the 22d instant, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, &C.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Jacob Erwin, for a reduction of his assessment for sewer in Railroad avenue.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Notice from Caleb Watson, of the falling due of an improvement certificate held by him, issued to D. W. Culver, for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Jersey avenue, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Applications of Daniel Gieson, Alexander McCoy, John Schofield and Henry Lohman, for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of Frederick L. Schumann, Robert Gamble and Wm. F. Schumann, for restaurant licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Catherine O'Shaughnessy, for an additional juna shop license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Charles Goiden, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Michael Mullone, to have a sewer made to carry off the water from the corner of Greene and Mercer streets.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of H. J. Baker & Brother, to have Washington street, from the north side of Morgan street to the north side of Bay street, filled in and raised to the established grade, guttered, curbed and paved, and to have the sidewalks on the east side flagged.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz :

Of William Conner, \$8 25; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$1,863 05 and \$99 50; Patrick Garvey, \$11; J W Harrison, \$16 48; Michael Killeen, \$11; Patrick Maden, \$6 88; James McDermott, \$15; O'Conner & Pearson, \$38 94; Owen O'Rourke, \$6 88; John Ryan, \$6 88; J W Schanok, \$123 35; Philip Symth, \$188 50; Patrick Tormey, \$8 25, and Terhune Brothers, \$12 35.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Patrick Mannion, \$300; C C Martindale, \$58 33; R D McClelland, \$100; S C McLaughlin, \$125, and William Whitley, \$58 33.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Manning on charges preferred against him by Mrs. Catherine Ramsey, and inclosing her affidavit, was presented, received, and, on motion of Alderman Earle, referred to the Committee on Police, with power to reinstate said policeman if the charges be not sustained.

The following communication was presented from his honor the mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Oct. 27, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council :

You will remember that a grave difficulty, relative to the quota of the townships and cities of this county, on the enrollment made on the call of the President for troops in the month of July last, occurred a short time since. The disparity between said quotas and the number of men enrolled in the county of Essex was in such vast proportions as to astonish every man who became acquainted with the facts.

The population of Essex county, as shown in the census of 1860, was 98,877, whilst that of Hudson county was less than 63,000; and, notwithstanding this large excess on the part of Essex county, the number allotted to Hudson county was eighteen more men than that which the county of Essex was obliged to furnish.

The President of the United States has now made a new call for 300,000 men, and unless the respective quotas of the above named counties are rectified, the county of Hudson will be again obliged to send her representation according to the same enrolment, which, in my opinion, is unjust and unequal.

I would, therefore, recommend to your honorable body that immediate measures should be taken to have said quotas corrected, and to that end that a committee be appointed, whose duty it shall be to confer with the other townships and cities of this county, relative to united application to the President of the United States for a new enrollment.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Gaddis.

Be it resolved, That a committee be appointed on the nomination of the president of this board, to prepare a proper communication to be presented by his honor the mayor to his excellency the governor of this State, in order that he may transmit the same to the President of the United States, relative to the subject embraced in the communication of his honor the mayor, viz : the quota to be furnished by the county of Hudson on the present call of the President for men for the suppression of the rebellion, and that such committee are hereby empowered to confer with the city and township authorities of this county in reference thereto, and to prepare and circulate petitions on the above subject.

On motion of Alderman Ege, the resolution was amended by inserting after the words "a committee," the words "of three," and, as amended, was adopted.

Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Pangborn were appointed the committee.

The city clerk laid before the board the assessor's tax list, for 1863, for the Second ward, and the same was received, and, on motion of Alderman Cox, it was

Resolved, That the assessor's tax list, for 1863, for the Second ward, laid before the common council at this meeting by the city clerk, be filed in the city clerk's office.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have altered the grades of portions of North Second, North Third, Provost, Prospect, Grove and Erie streets, Jersey avenue, Coles, Monmouth and Brunswick streets," to conform to a map or diagram accompanying said application, entitled, "Map showing alteration of grades in a part of the Fifth ward of Jersey City."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The petition of D. S. Gregory, jr., and others, to have sidewalks opposite lots 1, 3 and 5, in block 36, Bacot's map, repaired, &c., referred to the corporation attorney on the 20th instant, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The petition of George McLaughlin, to have the sidewalk on north side of Mercer street, from Grove to Henderson street, refilled, &c., referred to the corporation attorney on the 20th instant, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The petition of A. S. Jarvis and others for the establishment of a grade on North Fourth street, from Hudson street to Meadow street, referred to the corporation attorney on the 20th instant, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Alms to whom was referred on the 20th inst., the petition of Mary Fullman, to have her daughter placed in the deaf and dumb asylum at Carmansville, N. Y., &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be authorized to make the necessary arrangements with the managers of the deaf and dumb asylum near Carmansville, New York, for the admission of Mary Fullman into that institution as a pupil, from and under the charge of the common council of Jersey City.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 20th inst., the return of the board of water commissioners of unpaid assessment for sewers in South First street, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the return from the board of water commissioners of unpaid assessments for building sewers in South First street, from east side of Grove street to Jersey avenue, and from east side of Grove street to the Hudson river, and its laterals, be referred to the Committee on Finance with power to advertise and sell according to law the property described therein, and with power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of such sale, and with authority to suspend or adjourn the sale of the same or any part thereof.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 6th inst., the communication from the board of water commissioners, requesting the cancellation of sale of parts of lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, South 6th street, in block 247, sold for assessment, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sale made April 3, 1863, of parts of lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, South 6th street, in block 247, for assessment for building culvert and basin on northerly intersection of Newa k avenue and South 6th street, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, for the reason that said assessment was paid at the office of the water commissioners and erroneously returned as unpaid; that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Charles F. Wrecks, the purchaser, to refund the purchase money paid by him with interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent per annum, from the date of said sale, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the de-

claration of sale of said parts of lots; and that the city treasurer be authorized to receive from the board of water commissioners the amount paid to their registrar as proceeds from sale of said parts of lots.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 20th inst., the petition of A. H. Wallis, for a declaration of sale of lot 90 Washington street, in block 34, sold September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue to Alexander H. Wallis, under the corporate seal of the city, a declaration of sale of lot 90 Washington street, in block 34, Mangin's map, sold September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, to Henry E. Insley, but the certificate of sale of which lot has been assigned to A. H. Wallis.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Lamps presented a report submitting one sealed proposal received by them, in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to furnish oil for lighting lamps, &c., the report recommending that the proposal be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposal was opened, read and found to be from William C. Curran.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Terry and adopted:

Resolved, That the proposal, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Lamps, opened and read, for the contract to furnish coal or kerosene oil for all the street lamps in the city now burning oil, and for lighting, extinguishing and keeping the same in repair for one year, be referred to the Committee on Lamps with authority to enter into a contract with the said bidder, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Lamps for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred, July 7, 1863, the petition of George C. Perry, to have the sewer in Prospect street cleaned, and who were authorized, by resolution passed July 7, 1863, to have the sewer in Wayne street and the lateral sewer in Prospect street cleaned, &c., presented a report thereon, setting forth that they have caused the said sewers to be cleaned, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred, on the 20th instant, the petition of Clark & Stelle and others, for a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, presented a report thereon, recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Water Commissioners, with a request that they furnish the estimate and description according to law.

The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets presented a report, setting forth that they awarded the contract for improvement of South Seventh street, from Brunswick street to Newark avenue, to Daniel W. Culver, he being the only bidder, and that contracts have been executed, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets presented a report, setting forth that they awarded the contract for improvement of Wayne street, from Colgate street to the westerly limits of the city, to Keeney & Halladay, they being the only bidders, and that contracts have been executed, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of D. E. Culver, \$11 25.

Referred to Joint Committee on Police and Ferries and Wharves.

Of Ward & McGown, \$206 38.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Bisbee & Steele, \$23 50; Joseph Champion, \$15 and \$8; G. & J. C. Lawrence, \$23 25; A. B. Reynolds, \$33 97; Charles Scott, \$46 69, \$41 09, \$25 41 and 23 88; Ward & McGown, \$3 49 and Clarkson Wilson, \$13 50.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of D. E. Culver, \$6.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of J. H. Lyon, \$283 85 and \$176.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Valentine Puster, \$24, and Charles Scott, \$2 25.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Cornelius Murphy, \$61.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of D. E. Culver, \$3.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of John Coar, \$358 63 and \$20 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 13th inst., was taken up from the table for consideration, viz :

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night police.'"

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Drake, Hough and Kane.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, it was unanimously—

Resolved, That the rule requiring a balloting be suspended, and that Salmon W. Hoyt be appointed ward clerk for the Fourth ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Thomas Myers from the city; and that he was the person intended to be elected at the last regular meeting, instead of Samuel W. Hoyt, there being no person in the said ward of that name.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Edge, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz : "A further supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails on certain streets of Jersey City.' Approved December 20, 1859."

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted :

Whereas, By a resolution of this board, passed June 9, 1863, the street commissioner was directed to cause the removal of all wagons, carts or other vehicles from the public streets of Jersey City, in the manner prescribed by the ordinances relating thereto; and whereas, said street commissioner has not obeyed the directions contained in said resolution; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the street commissioner be requested to report to this common council, at its next meeting, his reasons for not obeying the directions of this board, as contained in the resolution referred to in the preamble annexed hereto.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be, and they are hereby authorized to sell such of the cobble stones as are too large for repairing streets, and deposit the amount in the city treasury.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, November 3, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Clarke, and Alderman Cox, Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Drake, Edge, Gaddis, Hough, Kane and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 27, 1863, were read and approved.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

On motion of Alderman Earle the regular order of business was suspended and the board proceeded to the reception and consideration of officers communications.

The following communication was presented from his honor the mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Nov. 2, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council :

The President of the United States has again tested the patriotism of the people, by a call for three hundred thousand volunteers in addition to those heretofore furnished. The confidence manifested by the appeal in calling for volunteers, before conscription shall be carried into effect, is a matter for sincere congratulation, and should enkindle a spirit of emulation in the different cities and townships of our State in being foremost in filling their respective proportions.

We have still left about two months before the necessity for a draft will arrive—time sufficient, if properly disposed, it is apprehended, to avert such an infliction.

I would, accordingly, recommend to your honorable body the immediate adoption of such measures as will tend to cause New Jersey to occupy the prominent rank which she has thus far always taken in supporting the federal government by offering bounties commensurate with the occasion.

I have consulted very many of our citizens relative to this important matter, who all concur in the propriety of such a step, and precedent points to this as the only means of fulfilling our duty to the national government without suffering the humiliation of force to fill the ranks of those whose term of service is about expiring.

The governor of our State has responded to the proclamation of the President in an earnest appeal to the citizens of our State, requesting aid in the raising of men, by the bestowal of bounties either individually or through the municipal authorities, and I therefore trust that your action in the premises will be sufficiently prompt and efficient to place our city in the catalogue of the most zealous in the discharge of duty.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

On motion of Alderman Cox, the communication was ordered to be laid on the table temporarily. (Alderman Earle obtained leave and retired.)

A communication from the Street Commissioner in answer to resolution of inquiry of October 27, 1863, as to the reason why he has not caused the removal of carts, wagons, &c., from the public streets as prescribed by ordinance was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancelment of sale of lot 24, block 200, erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1861, was presented, received and referred to the committee on finance.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of October, 1863, showing a balance due the city treasurer, November 2nd, 1863, of \$2,207 10, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The petition of H. J. Baker and brother for the improvement of Washington street, from Morgan

to Bay streets, referred to the corporation attorney October 27, 1863, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received, and the petition referred to the committee on streets.

A communication from Henry Manning and John Ayres, policemen, in relation to a complaint made by them before the recorder against the keeper of house No. 17 Sussex street, for selling liquor without a license, &c., was presented, received and referred to committee on laws and ordinances.

The following requisition from the board of education was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Decker, warrants were ordered drawn in favor of the claimants and for the amounts respectively named therein :

To the Honorable the Common Council :

At a meeting of the board of education held at their rooms on Monday evening, November 2d, 1863, it was resolved, by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims :

Isaac M. Clark, coal for public schools, ..	\$1281 00	
Terhune Bros., bill hardware for repairs school No. 2.....		56 46
Terhune Bros., bill hardware for repairs school No. 2.....		6 00
John Millar, for repairs school No. 2.....	\$10 25	
John Millar, for repairs of colored school.....	8 50	18 75
P. N. Horsley, paid cleaning chimney school No. 2.....		4 00
Ab'm Brower, repairs school No. 1.....		25 00
D. Kennedy, repairing chairs school No. 2		5 00
Earle & Co., school furniture school No. 2		52 16
Cronham and Wetterson, glazing, school No. 1.....		2 88
Wm. Bumsted & Co., repairing school No. 1.....		3 63
Wm. C. Whyte, repairing school No. 3...		70 80
Henry Steele & Son, agents iron work school No. 2.....		1 30
W. B. Williams, attorney, rent to 1st inst., colored school.....		20 00
Clerk of the board, 3 months salary to 1st inst.....	\$12 50	
For revenue stamps.....	5 00	17 50
Charlotte Garretson, allowance for cleaning school No. 1.....		20 00
Board of education for deficiency in appropriations for salaries of teachers to 1st instant.....		30 58

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of the Board of Education.

Jersey City, November 3, 1863.

A certificate of Levi W. Post, city surveyor, of there being due to D. W. Culver the sum of one thousand dollars in improvement certificates on account of his contract for improvement of Provost street, &c., was presented, received and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride :

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, in favor of Daniel W. Culver, for one thousand dollars, being the amount due on his contract for improvement of Provost street, between Pavonia avenue and North Second street; and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox,

Decker, Duff, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Drake, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Hough, Kane and Pangborn.

The city clerk laid before the board five remonstrances filed in his office on the 3d November inst., at the hours respectively named, the same being endorsed as follows, viz:

"C. F. Durant's objections to the commissioners report and proceedings in the 'opening of Montgomery street,' numbers from 1 to 162 consecutively and both inclusive, together with appendix A," filed at 10 minutes before 4 o'clock P. M.

"E. H. Durant's objections to the commissioners report and proceedings in the 'opening of Montgomery street,' numbers from 1 to 162 consecutively and both inclusive, together with appendix A," filed at 9 minutes before 4 o'clock P. M.

"J. J. Durant's objections to the commissioners report and proceedings in the 'opening of Montgomery street,' numbers from 1 to 162 consecutively and both inclusive, together with appendix A," filed at 8 minutes before 4 o'clock P. M.

"M. Morrow's objections to the commissioners report and proceedings in the 'opening of Montgomery street,' numbers from 1 to 162 consecutively and both inclusive, together with appendix A," filed at 7 minutes before 4 o'clock P. M.

"William King's, Charles R. Townsend, jr., H. Whitehouse and James Tower's objections to the commissioners report and proceedings in the 'opening of Montgomery street,' numbers from 1 to 162 consecutively and both inclusive, together with appendix A," filed at 6 minutes before 4 o'clock P. M.

The remonstrances were received and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of places of holding the polls at the election on the third of November instant.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street, to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor the Mayor, October 31, 1863, of the ordinance passed October 27, 1863, entitled "A supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to establish, regulate and control a day and night police."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board the assessor's tax list for 1863, for the Fifth ward, and the same was received, and on motion of Alderman Cox it was

Resolved, That the assessor's tax list for 1863, for the Fifth ward, laid before the common council at

this meeting by the city clerk, be filed in the city clerk's office.

Alderman Gafney being the only member of the committee on public grounds and buildings present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman McBride was appointed.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the committee on streets present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Decker was appointed.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of John Coar, \$358 63 and \$20 50; D E Culver, \$3; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$33 08; J H Lyon, \$283 85 and \$176; Valentine Puster, 24; Charles Scott, \$2 25 and Ward and McGown, \$206 38.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred October 27, 1863, the communication from Caleb Watson, giving notice of the falling due of an improvement certificate held by him, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the comptroller is hereby authorized to issue a requisition on the city treasurer in favor of Caleb Watson, for the sum of three hundred and fifteen dollars, with interest thereon, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, from the date of confirmation of the assessment to pay off improvement certificate No. 325, held by him issued to D. W. Culver, for work and material furnished in the regulating, &c., of Jersey avenue.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Drayton and Durant, \$134 62; Matthew Erwin, \$105 35, and Hugh Reilly, \$52 06.

Referred to Committee on Aims.

Of T R Benwell, \$10 00.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Of J W Harrison, \$10 90.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of J F Richardson, \$26 75, and J P Townsend, \$150.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Samuel Bridgart, \$300; William Drum, \$300, and J D Nolan, \$66 66.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY,
City Clerk.

Special meeting at the common council chamber, Friday, November 6, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff and Hough.

The call of the meeting was read by the city clerk, and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Nov. 5, 1863. }

George W. Cassedy, esq., City Clerk:

Dear sir: You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the common council to be held at their chamber on Friday evening, the 6th inst., at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of considering the communication submitted at the last meeting urging the necessity of immediate action by which the quota of Jersey City may be filled by volunteers, and to order publication of lists of property sold January 4, 1862, for water rents and assessments.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the communication received on the 3d inst., from his honor the mayor, recommending the adoption of such measures as will tend to cause volunteering, &c., was taken from the table and read.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis an invitation was extended to citizens present to express their views on the subject under consideration.

Hon. Theodore F. Randolph then addressed the board.

The following resolutions were offered Alderman Cox:

Resolved, That the mayor and common council of Jersey City will pay to each volunteer to the number of the quota of this city, the sum of two hundred dollars, at the time of his being mustered into the service of the United States.

Resolved, That for the purpose of meeting the requirements of the above resolution, the committee on finance of this common council be and are hereby authorized to borrow such sum or sums of money as may be required for the purpose expressed in said resolution upon the passage of resolutions from time to time as the money may be required, authorizing the said committee on finance to issue their requisition or requisitions upon the mayor, city clerk, treasurer and comptroller, for bonds bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed six per cent. per annum, to be drawn for such amounts and such periods of time as the common council may authorize.

Resolved, That a committee, to consist of His Honor the Mayor (who shall be chairman thereof) and one Alderman from each ward, be appointed to superintend the opening of recruiting offices and all other matters connected therewith, and said committee are hereby authorized to expend for that purpose a sum not to exceed _____ dollars.

On motion of Alderman Ege the blank in the last resolution was filled with the words "twelve hundred."

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the first resolution was amended, so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City will pay to each volunteer, to the number of the quota of this city, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars in case the Board of Chosen Freeholders offer a bounty of fifty dollars, and if they do not the sum of three hundred dollars, at the time of his being mustered into the service of the United States.

The resolutions as amended were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff and Hough.

(Aldermen Cox, Gafney, Ege, Nafew, Decker and Kane were appointed the committee.)

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Cox:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers (as provided for in the resolutions passed at this meeting) the sum of fifty thousand dollars, to be appropriated to that object; and that, on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, bonds to that amount, or for a lesser sum, and the comptroller to countersign the same; said bonds to be drawn payable to the party or parties named in said requisition for a period of _____ years, and at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent. per annum.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the blank in the resolution was filled with the words, "from ten to thirty."

The resolution, as amended, was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Duff, Hough.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Cox, and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby authorized and requested to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by law a list of property sold January 4, 1862, for unpaid water rents and assessments, and still unredeemed.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, November 10, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride Naiew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake and Hough.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 3d, and of the special meeting of November 6, 1863, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Applications of Otto Meyer, John T. Brosman, Michael Doyle, Thomas Kelly, James Lynch, Charles Henkel, Michael Dolan, Matthew Doyle, John Bond, and Hugh Garland for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John O'Connor for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 55 Prospect street, in the 4th ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of W. Sleight & Co. to have Ferdinand Wirtz, inn and tavern license transferred to them they having become the proprietors of No. 99 Montgomery street, the place named in the license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William Purcell and others to have North First street from the easterly side of Prospect street to the west side of Meadow street filled in to the established grade, curbed, guttered and sidewalks filled to grade and flagged four feet wide.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of A. S. Jarvis and others to have Provost street from a point distant south from the side of North Third street sixteen feet to the north side of North Seventh street including intersections filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered and paved with cobble stones, crosswalks laid and side walks flagged four feet wide.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and order paid, viz:

Of Bisbee and Steele, \$23 50; Samuel Bridgart, \$300; Joseph Champion, \$15 and \$8; D. E. Culver, \$11 25; William Drum \$300, Drayton and Durrat, \$134 62; Matthew Erwin, \$105 35; J. W. Harrison, \$10 90; G and J C Lawrence, \$23 25; J. D. Nolan, \$66 66; Hugh Reilly, \$52 06; A. B. Reynolds \$33 97; J. F. Richardson, \$26 75; Chas. Scott, \$46 69, \$41 09, \$45 41 and \$23 88; J. P. Townsend, \$150; Ward and McGown, \$3 49 and Clarkson Wilson, \$13 50.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Wm. Conner, \$27; Nathaniel Ellis, \$37 82; Patrick Garvey, \$34; John Kane, \$162 25; S. and J. H. Keeney, \$7 78; Michael Killeen, \$35; Thos. Lawless, \$22 50; Mrs. C. Lynch, \$6; J. H. Lyon, \$200; Patrick Maden, \$21 25; James McDermott, \$51; Brian McMahon, \$17 50; Edgar Olcott, jr, \$50; Police Department, \$2,001 18; John Ryan, \$21 25, and Patrick Tormey, \$25 50.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The city clerk laid before the board the following communication from his honor the mayor, filed in the city clerk's office on the 9th inst., and the same was read, received and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the common council:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
Jersey City, Nov. 7, 1863.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith return, without my approval, the following resolution, passed by your honorable body on the 27th ult., viz:

"Resolved, That the Committee on Alms be authorized to make the necessary arrangements with the managers of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, near Carmansville, New York, for the admission of Mary Fullman into that institution, as a pupil from, and under, the charge of the common council of Jersey City."

Whilst conceding the humanity of such a disposition of the funds of the public, it must be remembered that we are governed in the municipal affairs by the powers delegated by the charter.—The resolution signifies that the expenses incident to such admission must be paid out of the city treasury. I have sought in vain among such powers for authority to send out of the State pupils to any institution of instruction for the deaf and dumb, and knowing that whatever is not granted in the act of incorporation is deemed to have withheld, I cannot imagine that such an act could be maintained.

I am constrained to this course of action, not alone by the foregoing consideration, but by the fact that I have been informed several other applications of the same character are meditated to be made to your honorable body, in case this one should be carried into effect; and the consequence might be that, without invidious distinctions, a very large amount of the funds of the city would be expended for unauthorized purposes.

The acts of the legislature provide the method in which such afflicted persons can be relieved by application to the governor for that purpose, a special fund having been appropriated therefor, and in case the requirements of the law can be complied with, I have little doubt that such application would be successful.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

On motion of Alderman McBade, the objections were ordered to lie upon the table.

The report of the chief of police, for the quarter ending October 31, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The report of the recorder, for the quarter ending October 31, 1863, was presented received and ordered filed.

The reports of the overseer of the poor and superintendent of the almshouse, for the quarter ending October 31, 1863, were presented, received and on motion of Alderman Hankins, ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Said reports being as follows:

To the Mayor and Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—The overseer of the poor respectfully presents to your honorable body his quarterly report, ending October 31, 1863, from which it will appear that 160 adults and 120 children have been relieved with groceries, provisions, &c.

The whole number of persons who received outdoor aid were, 280

The expenses of the department within the above period, have been,

\$241 70

On the following account:

Provisions and groceries,	\$265 70
Shoes,	5 00
Transportation of paupers,	9 00
Interments,	10 00

Total, \$265 70

In the distribution of the charities of the city, I have acted with a view to the best interest of all concerned, by an economical distribution of the public money, in relieving the necessities of the distressed. In this course I trust I have the ap-

probation of the mayor and common council and the community in general.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY, Over seer of the Poor.

JERSEY CITY, November 2, 1863.

To the Mayor and Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—The superintendent of the almshouse respectfully presents to your honorable body his quarterly report, ending October 31, 1863 :

There were remaining in the institution November 1, 1863—

Male adults,	19
Female "	16
Children,	48
	— 83

Admitted into the institution from

August 1, 1863—	
Male adults,	16
Female "	17
Children,	11
	— 44
	127

The number discharged from and died in the institution within the above period were—

Discharged—Male adults,	13
" Female "	14
" Children,	2
Bound, or on trial,	2
Died—Male adults,	4
" Female "	3
" Children,	2
	— 40

Remaining in the institution November 1, 1863, 87

The expenses of the institution was, on the following account—

Groceries and Provisions,	\$651 70
Dry goods,	90 88
Feed for cow and horse,	33 40
Leather, &c.,	29 86
Soap,	10 00
	— \$824 44

Goods on hand to be deducted, \$300 00

Total expense of the in-door poor within the past quarter, \$524 44

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. WHITLEY, Superintendent.

JERSEY CITY, November 2, 1863.

A communication was presented from the registrar of the board of water commissioners enclosing a copy of the following resolution passed by said board :

Resolved, (The common council concurring) That the finance committee and the president of this board confer with the finance committee of the common council in reference to the arrears of water rents due this board by the corporation of Jersey City.

The communication was received and referred to the committee on finance with a request that they confer with the board of water commissioners on the subject embraced in their communication.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of the filing in the city clerk's office, on the 5th day of October, 1863, at five minutes before five o'clock P. M., of the commissioners' report and map in the matter of the opening of Montgomery street, &c., the report setting forth that the only remonstrances filed were those laid before the common council at its meeting held November 3, 1863.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 10th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., by Charles F. Durant and endorsed as follows : "C. F. Durant, supplement objections to the

commissioners' report and proceedings in the opening of Montgomery street."

The communication was referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred October 27, 1863, the petition of Jacob Erwin, for a reduction of sewerage assessment on Rai road avenue, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That nothing significant or definite appearing in the petition of Jacob Erwin, relative to assessment on Railroad avenue, a further consideration of the same be and is hereby indefinitely postponed.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred on the 3d inst., the communication from Policemen Manning and John Ayres, in relation to a charge made by them before the recorder against the keeper of house, No. 17 Sussex street for selling liquor without a license, &c, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That Policemen Henry Manning and John Ayres are hereby instructed upon the receipt of a copy of this resolution to make complaint against the proprietor of No. 17 Sussex street, for encouraging and permitting a disorderly assemblage to congregate at his place of business on Sunday night, Nov. 1st inst, and further, said policemen are hereby instructed to furnish the Recorder with the names of as many witnesses as they or either of them knew to be present on the night in question.

Resolved, That this common council deem it to be the duty of the recorder to use his powers as recorder, under the sixteenth and seventeenth sections of the city charter, to summon before him parties whom he has reason to believe have been guilty of any breach of the peace, and to hear testimony before he shall give judgment in the matter.

Resolved, That in the matter complained of in the communication of Policemen Henry Manning and John Ayres to this common council, this board believes, that the recorder should have summoned the proprietor of No. 17 Sussex street to appear and answer for the charge of misdemeanors and selling intoxicating drink on the Sabbath, and that testimony should have been heard before the complaint was dismissed.

The report was received.

Alderman Gafney moved that the resolutions be laid upon the table.

The motion was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Ege, Terry and Gaddis :

Yeas—Aldermen Duff, Ege, and Gafney.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Cox, Drake, and Hough.

The resolutions were then adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Ege, Decker and Terry :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Gafney.

Absent—Alderman Cox, Drake and Hough.

(Alderman Earle obtained leave and retired.)

The committee on licenses to whom was referred October 20, 1863, the petition of Joseph Schare for a license to keep a junk shop, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at

No. 13 Brunswick street, in the Sixth ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Joseph Schare, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred October 27, 1883, the petition of Mrs. C. O'Shaughnessy for an additional junk shop license presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to run an additional wagon in Jersey City be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Mrs. Catharine O'Shaughnessy, junk shop keeper, on her paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

The committee on licenses to whom was referred October 27, 1883, the petition of F. P. Jones, for a license whereby he can employ an assistant solicitor of baggage under his public porters license presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to run an additional wagon be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Fennimore P. Jones, licensed public porter on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the report and resolution were recommitted to the committee.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred October 27, 1883, the petition of Charles Golden for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Charles Golden on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses to keep restaurants, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

The reports were received and the resolutions disposed of as follows:

Resolved, That a license be granted to William F. Schumann to keep a restaurant at corner of Washington and Bergen streets, in the First ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Cox, Drake, Earle, and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Frederick L. Schumann to keep a restaurant at corner Washington and Essex streets in the First ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Robert Gamble, to keep a restaurant at northwest corner of York and Greene streets, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties, for licenses to keep inns and taverns, the following resolution accompanying the reports:

The reports were received and the resolutions disposed of as follows:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Louis Heller, to keep an inn and tavern at No. 9 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Puroell to keep an inn and tavern at 203 Provost street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle, and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Halligan, to keep an inn and tavern at corner of Grove and North 5th streets, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle, and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Schofield, to keep an inn and tavern at 189 Henderson street, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle, and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Daniel Gleason to keep an inn and tavern at corner of Prospect and North First street, in the Fifth Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael McKone to keep an inn and tavern at 144 Prospect street corner of South Third street in the Fifth Ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Alexander McCoy to keep an inn and tavern at 74 Essex street in the First ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle, and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Diedrick Muller, to keep an inn and tavern, at 50 Pavonia avenue, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President and Clarke, Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Henry Lohmann, to keep an inn and tavern at 211 Grove street, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President and Clarke, Aldermen Broking, Decker, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Earle and Hough.

The committee on railroads who were requested by resolution passed October 13, 1863, to confer with the New Jersey Railroad Company in reference to the adoption of such measures as will render the crossings of our streets by the tracks of said company more secure, &c., presented a report setting forth that they have conferred with F. Wolcott Jackson, esq., superintendent of the New Jersey Railroad Company, and were informed by him that said company are willing to do anything which in the judgment of the committee may be deemed proper and sufficient to accomplish the desired object, and that said company expressed themselves willing to erect gates similar to the one now in use at Grove street, across all streets where required by the committee; the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That the New Jersey Railroad Company be requested to carry out their said proposition to the committee on railroads without delay, under the supervision of said committee.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on railroads who were requested by resolution passed September 15th, 1863, to confer with the New Jersey Railroad Company, and request them to return to the former mode of giving tickets in all cases to passengers for New York, &c., presented a report setting forth that they have conferred with the officers of said company and are assured by them that all passengers hereafter coming to Jersey City shall have a ferry ticket given to them which may be used at any time to cross to and from New York.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them October 27, 1863, of A. S. Jarvis and others for the establishment of a grade on North Fourth street between Hudson and Meadow streets presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Monday, December 7, 1863, at 7 o'clock, p.m., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council, October 20, 1863, of A. S. Jarvis and others, for the establishment of a grade on North Fourth street between the west line of Hudson street, and the east line of Meadow street to conform to a map or diagram accompanying the application entitled grade map of North Fourth street from Meadow to Hudson street, dated September, 1863, made by I. B. Culver, city surveyor, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, On the 2d November, 1863, the time appointed for a hearing of all parties interested in the application of James Lynch and others, for improvement of South 8th street, &c., there was but one member of the Committee on Streets present, and it becomes necessary to appoint a new time for a hearing: therefore,

Resolved, That Monday, December 7th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and the committee room in the city hall, are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet, for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council September 1, 1863, of James Lynch and others, to have South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street, to the westerly limits of the city, including interconnections, filed to the established grade, curbed, guttered and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide; and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish, in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received, and the preamble and resolution were adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Hoyt & Coykendall, \$75 60; Joseph Pye, \$30; A. P. Rikeman, \$3, and W. J. B. Smith, \$1465 74.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of H. A. Greene, \$5.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of Joseph Champion, \$15.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of James Bly, \$15; G. C. Doyle, \$15 and \$7.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

(Alderman Edge obtained leave and retired.)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on streets be authorized to continue for one week longer, the advertisement for proposals for the improvement of Greene street, from Steuben to Harsimus streets, as no proposals have been received up to the present time.

On motion of Alderman Kane the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, November 17, 1863, at 7½ o'clock p. m.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Duff, Edge, Hough, Natew and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 10th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Patrick Mannion to have refunded amount paid by him for improving sidewalk in front of his lot on Newark avenue, &c.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Petition of Woolsey & Terry and others for the construction of a bridge across the canal at the south end of Hudson street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Ferries and Wharves.

Petition of Jacob Erwin for permission to settle the assessment for sewerage on Railroad avenue, at legal interest, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Applications of Francis Masterson, Michael O'Keefe, George H. Dietz, Taylor & Brother, John McCoy, John Sylvester, William Perry, Patrick Doyle and John Mesow, for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of Post & Minard, John Cabill and Matthew Bradley for restaurant licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Remonstrance of Jacob Weart and others against the laying of a double railroad track or turnout in Newark avenue, between Jersey avenue and Grove street.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Communication from Thomas Lynch and others, complaining of the condition of the sewer in Railroad avenue between Warren and Prospect streets, &c.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Charles Somers and others, to have Washington street, from Morris street to the Alms House, graded, paved, curbed, guttered, cross walks and sidewalks laid, &c.

Referred to city attorney.

Petition of Marcus Miller to be appointed a city surveyor.

On motion of Alderman Earle the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent, suspended, and on his motion Marcus Miller was *viva voce* unanimously appointed a city surveyor.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively and said amounts were ordered paid, viz. :

Of T. R. Benwell, \$10 00, James Bly, \$15; James Carroll, \$23.50; + C. Doyle, \$15.00 and \$5.00; H. A. Greene, \$5 00; Hoyt & Coykendall, \$5.60; Joseph Pye, \$30.00, A. P. Rikeman, \$3.00, and W. J. B. Smith, \$1,465.74.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

An estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of building a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, as petitioned for by Clark & Stelle and others, October 20, 1863, was presented, received, and with the petition referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The Board of Water Commissioners to whom was referred October 20, 1863, with a request that they furnish such information relating thereto, as may be in their possession, the opinion of the city attorney, as to the power of the common council to

allow the New Jersey Railroad Company to build so much of the proposed sewer in Greene street as may be covered by the tracks of said company, presented a communication thereon, setting forth, that whatever may be the effect of the present construction of the main sewer in Wayne street upon its laterals west of Washington street, there can be no question that it will be capable of receiving and discharging freely all the drainage matter from the proposed lateral sewer in Greene street, and in reference to granting privilege to the New Jersey Railroad Company to build that portion of the sewer which will lie underneath their tracks no difficulty will arise by granting the same, provided, in the contract for that portion of said work, the said company shall be bound to complete the same within a specified time and under the direction of the Board of Water Commissioners.

The communication was received and with the opinion of the city attorney referred to the Committee on Sewers.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 17th inst., at half past 11 o'clock A.M. by Charles F. Durant endorsed as follows :

"Petition of C. F. Durant, to open Van Vorst street by removing the station house and all other obstructions, for the whole length and breadth that was dedicated to public streets by Van Vorst, Gregory, Henderson and Gilchrist in the deeds, the mortgage and the agreement, all dated April 5, 1834, on Bridges' map, dated January 31, 1834, and all recorded in books C and D of deeds, April 5, 1834, and also the same on Bridges' map, dated June 19, 1835, with synopsis of county record annexed.

The paper was referred to the corporation attorney.

The resignation of Daniel McNamara as a policeman was presented, received and accepted.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, inclosing returns of the following elections and resignations in said department, confirmed by the fire commissioners :

Elections of Martin J. Hugh, by Engine Company No. 4; Thomas A. Gross, by Hose Company No. 4, and Philip Duffy, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2. Resignations of G. W. Marshall and A. Moore, from Engine Company No. 5, and Patrick Rooney, from Hose Company No. 4.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

A communication from Henry Manning, policeman, complaining of the conduct of the recorder towards him in the discharge of his duty, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The petition of William Purcell and others, for improvement of North First street, &c., referred to the corporation attorney, November 10th, 1863, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form. The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom were referred, November 3, 1863, the objections of E. H. Durant, Charles F. Durant, J. J. Durant, William King, Charles R. Townsend, H. Whitehouse, James Towers and M. Morrow to the commissioner's report and proceedings in the opening of Montgomery street, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Be it resolved, That the remonstrances or objections to the report and proceeding relative to the opening of Montgomery street, referred to the Committee on Assessments, November 3, 1863, show no sufficient cause why the report of the commissioners should not be adopted, and that consequently this Common Council should proceed

with said improvement. The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride, Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Duff, Edge, Hough, Nafew, Terry.

[Alderman Pangborn obtained leave and retired.]

The Committee on Finance presented a report, setting forth that they are unable to borrow moneys authorized by resolutions passed November 6, 1863, at six per cent interest, &c., and recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That so much of the resolutions passed November 6th, 1863, as provides for the borrowing money for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, be rescinded, and that the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow the sum named in said resolutions at a rate not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, and for a period of not to exceed four months.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Duff, Edge, Hough, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

(Alderman Pangborn appeared and took his seat.)

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred at this meeting, the communication from Policeman Manning, in reference to the conduct of the recorder towards him, &c., presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution, and that the communication be continued in the hands of the committee.

Resolved, That Policeman Manning be, and is hereby instructed, to appear before George E. Cutter, a justice of the peace, in the Second ward of Jersey City, and there to make complaint against the party or parties named in his communication to the common council, November 10, for misdemeanor; and that he is hereby instructed to give said justice the names of such witnesses as may be known to said officer.

The report and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred November 10, 1863, C. F. Durant's supplement objections to the commissioner's report and proceedings in the opening of Montgomery street &c. presented a report thereon recommending that the communication be returned to Mr Durant, the following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That the communication of Charles F Durant, in relation to the opening of Montgomery street, referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances at the last regular meeting of this board, be returned to Mr Durant, as not filed within the time limited by the charter for the filing of such remonstrances, and that, therefore, this common council cannot consider the same.

The report and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for inn and tavern licenses, each report recommending the adoption of a resolution granting said licenses, viz. :

Michael Dolan, Otto Meyer, Matthew Doyle, Michael Doyle, Thomas Kelly, John T. Brosnan,

John Bond, James Lynch, Charles Henkle and Hugh Garland.

The reports were received and the resolutions laid upon the table.

The Committee on Public Health presented a report setting forth that they awarded the contract for removal of dead animals to Cornelius Murphy, his being the lowest of the proposals presented July 21, 1863, and that contracts have been executed, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting five sealed proposals received by them, in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to improve Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Daniel W. Culver, Keeney & Halladay, Dennis Byrne, James F. Fielder (accompanied by a bond), and Wm. H. Gautier & Co.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride :

Resolved, That the five sealed proposals, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street, including intersections, be referred to the Committee on Streets with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do ; and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

The resolution was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Earle, Ege and Gafney :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Gafney, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Earle, Ege, Gaddis and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Duff, Edge, Hough, Nafew and Terry.

The proposals were laid upon the table.

The Committee on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them on the 3d inst., of H. J. Baker and Brother, for improvement of Washington street, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing :

Resolved, That Wednesday, the 16th December 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P.M., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council, October 27, 1863, of H. J. Baker and Brother, to have Washington street from the north side of Morgan street to the north side of Bay street filled in to the established grade, curbed, guttered and paved, and the sidewalk flagged on the east side, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred this evening, and who have under consideration the petition of William Purcell and others, for improvement of North First street, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Wednesday, the 16th December, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the City Hall, are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same all parties interested in the application presented to the common council November 10, 1863, of William Purcell and others, to have North First street, from the easterly side of Prospect street to the west side of Meadow street, filled in to the established grade, curbed, guttered and the sidewalks filled to the proper grade and flagged four feet wide, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred October 27, 1863, the petition of D. S. Gregory, Jr., and others, to have the sidewalks opposite lots 1, 3 and 5, block 36 Bacot's map, refilled, &c., presented a report thereon, setting forth that a resolution authorizing the necessary proceedings to be had on the subject matter of said petition was passed October 20, 1863.

The report was received and ordered filed.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of James M. Blaney & Co., \$6 90; C. H. O'Neill, \$20 92, and Ward & McGown, \$410 25.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of John Anness, \$78 55; J. W. Harrison, \$6 75, and J. H. Sickles, \$148 75.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of R. B. Kashow, \$6.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Of R. B. Kashow, \$174 90, \$32 75 and \$28 75.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of James M. Blaney & Co., \$70 90; Edward Caulfield, \$4 40, and Joshua Wilson, \$7 77.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of I. B. Culver, \$20; John Egan, \$16, and R. B. Kashow, \$22 03.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Officers and Elections.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Pangborn:

Whereas, The report and maps made by the Commissioners of Assessment in the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets, was filed with the city clerk in ninety days after their appointment took effect, notice of which was duly advertised; and, whereas, one half of the owners of the lands to be assessed for such improvement have failed to file with the city clerk a remonstrance signed by them or their agents lawfully authorized; 1st therefore, be it

Resolved, That the said report and maps be adopted and the said assessment confirmed, and that this Common Council will proceed to execute said improvement; 2d and, be it further

Resolved, That the amounts reported by said commissioners as the value of any lands to be taken and the damage by taking the same shall be the sum to be paid by this Common Council to the respective owners, and that the expenses of said improvement, when completed, including all interest and the costs of the proceedings, shall be assessed upon the property reported by said commissioners, as benefited thereby, and in the proportion reported by them according to the provisions of the city charter.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Duff, Edge, Hough, Nafew and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Pangborn and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby authorized to loan to the appropriate committee of the Common Council of Hoboken the die used for official emblems.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby instructed to advertise, in the manner prescribed by law, notice that application will be made to the legislature, at its next session, for amendments to the charter of Jersey City.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gaddis:

Whereas, By the report of the chief of police, made to this Common Council November 10th instant, the sale of intoxicating drinks is known to be practised in some two hundred and twenty places in Jersey City; and,

Whereas, By said report it appears that upwards of one hundred and eighty of these places have neither obtained nor petitioned for a license under the ordinances of this Common Council; and,

Whereas, The names of the proprietors and their places of business are given in said report; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That the chief of police be and is hereby instructed to make or cause to be made before the recorder complaints against the parties named in his report who may not have obtained or applied for licenses at the time that a copy of this resolution shall be received by said chief of police.

Resolved, That in case the recorder shall not hear said complaints or act thereon, that said complaints be then made before any justice of the peace within the limits of Jersey City.

(Alderman Pangborn obtained leave and retired.)

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle:

Resolved. That the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company be, and they are hereby requested in selling tickets for travel from Jersey City to any point on their road to furnish to the purchaser in all cases the same tickets as if the purchase had been made in the city of New York, viz a railroad ticket and a ferry ticket.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Earle, Gaddis and Ege:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drakes, Earle, Gafney, Hankins, Kane and McBride.

Nays—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Ege and Gaddis.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Duff, Edge, Hough, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the board proceeded to the appointment of a Commissioner of Appeals for the Third ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Evan Jones from the city.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the rule requiring a balloting was suspended, and on his motion James McLaughlin, (carpenter), was *viva voce* unanimously appointed Commissioner of Appeals for the Third ward.

Alderman Hankins offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That this board sincerely condoles

with Alderman Edge in the sad bereavement he has met with, in the loss of his son, and as a mark of respect and sympathy the board do now adjourn.

Whereupon the president declared the board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk:

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, November 24, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Hough, Pangborn and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 17th inst., were read and approved.

Alderman McBride being the only member of the Committee on Streets present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening, whereupon Alderman Gafney was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz.

Applications of Philip Kullman, W. J. Lampard, James Quigley, J. C. Bailey, John Harper, Patrick Corrigan, John D. Caulfield, George Hunter, W. H. Smith, James MacGarr, James Grimes and Matthew Reardon for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of James Monaghan and William Lyon for restaurant licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Alexander McDonald for a license to keep a junk shop at the junction of Newark avenue and South Fourth street in the Sixth ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of McGraw & Co. and others, to have the ordinance for improvement of a portion of Greene street repealed, and to have Greene street from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Flaximus street filled in to the established grade, paved with Belgian pavement and the sidewalks curbed and flagged four feet wide, &c.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts, respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz.:

Of John Anness, \$78 55; J. M. Blaney & Co., \$70 90; Edward Caulfield, \$4 40; Joseph Champion, \$16; I. B. Culver, \$15; J. W. Harrison, \$6 75; R. B. Kashow, \$22 03 and \$6; C. H. O'Neill, \$20 92; J. H. Sickles, \$148 75; Ward & McGown, \$110 28 and Joshua Wilson, \$7 77.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct for the following named amounts, respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of John Coar, \$358 63; Thomas Doherty, \$120 90; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; R. Gilchrist Jr., \$50; J. B. Haight, \$100; J. V. Hardenbergh, \$100; William Jordan, \$159; Thomas Lawless, \$18 50; G. W. Cassidy, \$166 66 and \$50; C. C. Martindale, \$53 33; R. D. McClelland, \$100; S. C. McLaughlin, \$58 59; Bryan McGuynne, \$12 50; J. D. Nolan, \$66 66; P. D. Vroom, \$50, and William Whitley, \$58 33.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The resignation of Philo L. Snow, of the office of policeman, was presented, received and accepted.

The report of Joseph Van Doren, a gauger and inspector of domestic liquors, for the quarter ending November 1, 1863, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board three papers, served upon him this 24th inst., by Charles F. Durant, being petition to open Van Vorst street, by establishing a grade, from Montgomery street

to within one hundred feet of Newark avenue, &c.; petition to open Montgomery street its whole length and breadth, by using police force, &c., and a petition to open Mercer street, &c.

The petitions were referred to the corporation attorney.

The petition of Charles Somers and others, for improvement of Washington street, from Morris street to the City Almshouse, &c., referred to the corporation attorney November 17, 1863, was reported back by that officer as not drawn in legal form.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The petition of Charles F. Durant, to open Van Vorst street, &c., referred to the corporation attorney on the 17th inst., was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby instructed to publish in the corporation paper for the length of time required by the city charter, a list of property still unredeemed, sold February 7, 1862, for unpaid water rents and assessments.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers [as provided for in the resolutions passed November 6, 1863,] the further sum of fifty thousand dollars to be appropriated to that object, and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute under the corporate seal of the city, bonds to that amount or for a lesser sum, and the comptroller to countersign the same, said bonds to be drawn payable to the party or parties named in said requisition, for a period of four months and at a rate of interest not to exceed seven per cent per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Kane, McBride and Nafew.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Hough, Pangborn and Terry.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, There was expended during the fiscal year 1860, the sum of eleven thousand five hundred and eighty dollars and sixty-eight cents over and above the sum appropriated by the tax ordinance of said year; and

Whereas, The amount assessed by the assessors for the fiscal year 1860, together with the amount reduced by the commissioners of appeal did not reach the amount called for by the tax ordinance of 1860, within the sum of seven thousand two hundred and thirty-seven dollars; and

Whereas, said over expenditures together with the deficiency in amount assessed by assessors and reductions by commissioners of appeal created a deficiency in the public treasury of the sum of eighteen thousand eight hundred and seventeen dollars and sixty-eight cents; and

Whereas, said deficiency has been decreased by an appropriation in the tax ordinance of 1863, of the sum of five thousand dollars, leaving an actual deficiency in the city treasury at this date of the sum of thirteen thousand eight hundred and seventeen dollars and sixty-eight cents; therefore,

Resolved, That in order that the deficiency account of 1860 may be further reduced and the treasury replenished, that the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, moneys received by the corporation of Jersey City for their riparian rights to property adjoining market grounds, be transferred by the comptroller and city treasurer to the above deficiency account of 1860.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be and are hereby authorized to employ a suitable person to act as agent to receive the government premium for recruits from Jersey City, and to pay the bounties due said recruits at the rendezvous.

Resolved, That the compensation for the services of said agent shall be paid from the appropriation made November 6, 1863, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of recruiting in Jersey City.

The resolutions were adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of John Longstaff, \$66 02.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Richard Garrick, \$60, and A. P. Rikeman, \$4 50.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of S. M. Hoffman, \$43; James McLaughlin, \$4; and O. Conner & Pearson, \$34 15.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$150.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of R. D. McClelland, \$122 88.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Of S. M. Hoffman, \$77 66.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of John Geraghty, \$93 15.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the next regular meeting of this common council be held in the city clerk's office.

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be empowered to remove such portions of the furniture from the rooms to be used by the Ladies Relief Society as the committee deem necessary, and also to make such other arrangements for the coming fair as the Ladies Relief Society may require.

By Alderman Duff and adopted:

Resolved, That in all cases where main or lateral sewers are ordered to be cleaned and repaired, the water commissioners are respectfully requested to first cause an examination to be made of the drain pipes connected therewith and see if they are in proper condition, and report the same to this board.

By Alderman Duff and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be, and are hereby authorized to examine the sewer on the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren and Prospect street, and have it cleaned and repaired if necessary.

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That his honor the mayor be requested to communicate with the colonels of New Jersey regiments informing them that Jersey City is ready and desirous of paying to the extent of the quota from said city to soldiers from said city, who may reenlist under the proclamation of the president the bounty of three hundred dollars, and that said colonels be requested to inform soldiers from Jersey City of the above fact.

On motion of Alderman McBride the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the city clerk's office, Tuesday, December 1st, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Hankins, Pangborn and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 24, 1863, were read, and on motion of Alderman Gafney were amended by inserting after the words opening of Montgomery street, where they appear in the endorsement of papers served upon the city clerk by Charles F. Durant the words, "its whole length and breadth to its eastern termination near Newark avenue, as said Montgomery street is dedicated on the map made by Bridges and recorded April 6th, 1834."

The minutes as amended were approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Official bond of David Crocheron, as a city auctioneer, with Thomas Negus and W H Frasse as sureties.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Bridget Connolly to be relieved from payment of fine imposed on her by the recorder, &c.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Applications of James Byrnes, Ernest Wildhaugen and Hector McMullen, for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of Bernard Gately and Garret Horgan for restaurant licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Thomas Scott, policeman, to be allowed his pay from November 6, 1863, he having been disabled while in the discharge of his duty.

Referred to Committee on Police.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of R. C. Bacot, \$3; D. E. Culver, \$6; John Egan, \$16; Richard Garrick, \$60; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co., \$150; John Geraghty, \$98 15; S. M. Hoffman, \$77 66 and \$48; R. B. Kashow, \$174 90, \$32 75 and \$28 78; R. D. McClelland, \$122 88; James McLaughlin, \$4; Cornelius Murphy, \$61; O. Conner & Pearson, \$34 15, and A. P. Rikeman, \$34 50.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of William Conner, \$24 75; James Flynn, \$12 50; Patrick Garvey, \$31; Michael Killeen, \$33; J. H. Lyon, \$181 39 and \$172 51; Patrick Maden, \$20 63; James McDermott, \$49 56; Police Department, \$1,925 86; John Ryan, \$20 63; Smith & Lounsbury, \$139 91, and Patrick Tormey, \$23 25.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from pay only of Policeman Ira Smith, on charges preferred against him by Aid Kipp, &c., was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Edge referred to the Committee on Police with power to reinstate said policeman if the charges be not sustained.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of November, 1863, showing a balance in the treasury November 30, 1863, of \$15,881 43, was presented, received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 1st inst., at 10 minutes before

11 o'clock A. M., by Charles F. Durant, and endorsed as follows:

"C. F. Durant's petition to open Montgomery street, from Van Vorst street to the easterly terminus, as dedicated in maps and deeds of 1834—5—8, as in objections 94, 95, 109, 131, 162, by building a sewer on water commissioners plan, as in objections 55, 84, 87, 88, 89, 97, 100, and appendix A, annexed with abstract of dedication annexed to opinions of city attorney, 'the public take by Van Vorst's dedication, *secundum formam doni*, or not at all,' by chief justice, 'Street squatters acquire no right of possession or title, the contrary doctrine would destroy all city parks and streets,' by present opinion of counsel to water commissioners is clear that the sewer can be built as petitioned for.

The petition was referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

The petition of McGraw & Co., and others, for a repeal of the ordinance for improvement of Greene street, and to have a portion of said street paved with Belgian pavement, &c., referred to the corporation attorney November 24, 1863, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

(Alderman Decker obtained leave and retired.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue, on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, two coupon bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars each, to the Provident Institution for Savings in Jersey City, in renewal of coupon 6 per cent. bonds, Nos. 70 A and 71 A, issued to said institution, dated November 13, 1862, and now past due; said bonds to be dated December 4, 1863, and drawn payable two years from said date, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum; and that the comptroller is hereby requested to draw his requisition on the treasurer for the interest which may be due at the date last above named.

Resolved, That the above bonds be delivered to the Provident Institution for savings when a certificate shall have been filed in the city clerk's office by the comptroller, of the surrender to him of the coupon bonds first above named, Nos. 70 A and 71 A.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride and Nafew.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Hankins, Pangborn and Terry.

The Committee on Railroads reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk is hereby requested to advertise in the Jersey City papers for a period of one week, that the Committee on Railroads of the common council will meet at the committee room of the City Hall, on Wednesday evening, December 9, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of hearing all parties interested in laying a double track of iron rails in Newark avenue, between Grove street and Jersey avenue, on the remonstrance of Jacob Weart and others.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, to whom were referred, October 6, 1863, and who have under consideration the petition of Alexander Hamilton and others for a main sewer in Morgan street, &c., and the estimate from the Board of Water Commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., presented a

report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Friday, December 18th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Sewers of this Common Council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this Common Council August 18th, 1863, of Alexander Hamilton and others for the construction of a main sewer in Morgan street from a point fifty feet east of Prospect street to tide water at the Hudson river with lateral sewers, viz: In Provost street, extending 100 feet north of Morgan street; in Warren st., extending 100 feet north of Morgan st.; in Washington street, extending 100 feet northerly and 100 feet southerly of Morgan street; in Greene street, 100 feet northerly and southerly of Morgan street, together with all the necessary receiving basins, culverts, &c., the whole to conform in all particulars to the general sewerage plan of Jersey City, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing, and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the Board of Water Commissioners in their communication presented to this Common Council October 6th, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom were referred November 17, 1863, the petition of Clark and Stelle and others, for a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, and the estimate from the board of water commissioners of the cost of said culvert &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing:

Resolved, That Friday, December 18th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and the committee room in the city hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the committee on sewers of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to this common council, October 20th, 1863, of Clark and Stelle and others, for the construction of a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of

the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing; and to embrace in said notice the estimate and description furnished by the board of water commissioners in their communication presented to this common council November 17, 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred September 1st, 1863, the petition of Nathaniel Marsh and others, for the alteration of the grades of North Second street and other streets in the Fifth ward, presented a report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table and printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the alteration of the grade of certain streets in the Fifth ward of Jersey City."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of G Ross Cary, \$2 91.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of S Billington, \$45; Drayton & Durant, \$142 02; Matthew Erwin, \$118 76; S M Hoffman, \$14 50, and P H Nugent \$23 27.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J W Harrison, \$18 28 and \$3 43.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William C Curren, \$119 25, and J F Richardson, \$25.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of P H Nugent, \$6 15.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of J L Blackmore, \$23 20, and P H Nugent, \$15 95.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Dermody, \$22 50.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the Common Council hereby delegates to the Committee on Enlistments the power, with the concurrence of the mayor, to nominate to the Governor one recruiting agent for every ward in Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Ege, the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the city clerk's office, Tuesday, December 8th, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Gaddis, Hankins and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 1st inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Communication from Michael Mullone, complaining that the lamps in the Second ward do not give sufficient light, &c.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Communication from C. F. Durant, reciting the endorsement on three papers presented from him on the 24th ultimo, and asking that the communication be entered in the minutes and published in the official proceedings.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of Aaron Cox to be appointed a city auctioneer.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of Timothy Crimmins and Sabine Josephs for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Application of Hugh McLaughlin for a restaurant license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of David Harper for an additional junk shop license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Michael Walker for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 48 Railroad avenue, in the Second ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Official bond of Marcus Miller, as a city surveyor, with Alexander H. Wallis and Robert B. Marle, as sureties.

Referred to Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of S Billington, \$45; J L Blackmore, \$23 20; John Dermody, \$22 50; Drayton & Durant, \$142.02; Matthew Erwin, \$118 76; J W Harrison, \$18 28 and \$8 43; P H Nugent, \$23 27, \$15 95 and \$6 15.

A claim of J M Blaney & Co. \$6 90, for ice for Alms House, referred to the Committee on Alms November 17, 1863, was reported back by said committee as having been once paid.

The report was received and adopted.

A claim of Nathaniel Ellis, \$43 40, for boarding prisoners in November, 1863, was presented, referred to the Committee on Police, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the report of the committee on the same, and said claim was reported correct and ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

Alderman Pangborn presented the report, map and schedule of the board of commissioners of assessments, for the regulation of Meadow street, from the north side of Pavonia avenue to the centre of North Second street, including intersections, &c., and the same were received, ordered filed and, on motion of Alderman Pangborn, it was

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to give notice in the "American Standard," a newspaper published in this city, for at least ten days, that the report, map and schedule of the board of commissioners of assessments for the regulation of Meadow street, specifying said improvement, from the north side of Pavonia avenue to the centre of North Second street, including intersections, by filling in to the established grade, curbing, gutter-

ing, laying bridgestone crosswalks and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide on each side, are on file in the city clerk's office, at the City Hall, on the corner of Newark avenue and Washington place, and that the common council will meet at the common council chamber in said City Hall, on the twenty-second day of December next, at 8 o'clock P. M., to consider said assessment and to receive and consider all objections thereto which may be presented in writing.

The report of the chief of police of the number of oil lamps not burning during the month of November, 1863, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Lamps.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 8th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M., by Charles F. Durant, endorsed as follows:

C. F. Durant's petition to open Van Vorst street, by filling to grade from Montgomery street to the northerly terminus, including station house site, as dedicated by Van Vorst, the Honorable D. S. Gregory, Henderson, Gilchrist and Morris Canal Company, in maps and deeds dated 1834-5-8, as in objections 94, 96, 99, 101; with synopsis of dedication, title annexed to the opinion of McClelland, C. A., "A sale or taking of dedicated streets is void." By Whelpley, C. J., "The contrary doctrine would destroy all dedicated parks and streets," &c.

The paper was referred to the corporation attorney.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application for the establishment of a grade on North Fourth street, between the west line of Hudson street and the east side of Meadow street," &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street, and the westerly corner of Gilbert street to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, filled to the established grade, curbed, guttered and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The corporation attorney to whom was referred November 24, 1863, the petition of C. F. Durant, endorsed as follows, reported back said petition as drawn in legal form, viz:

"C. F. Durant's petition to open Van Vorst street by establishing a grade from Montgomery street to within 100 feet of Newark avenue, as said Van Vorst street is dedicated on Bridge's map, dated January 31, 1834, and as dedicated on Van Vorst's farm map, dated June 19, 1835, and as dedicated in Van Vorst's deeds, dated April 5, 1834, and April 12, 1838; with abstract of deeds, mortgage, agreement and maps from county record, annexed to the opinion of Chief Justice Whelpley on dedications."

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The corporation attorney to whom was referred November 24, 1863, the petition of C. F. Durant, endorsed as follows, reported back said petition as drawn in legal form, viz:

"C. F. Durant's petition to open Mercer street, by filling up and flagging sidewalk fifteen feet wide, from Henderson street to within 100 feet of Newark avenue as said Mercer street is dedicated on Bridge's map, recorded in book C, April 6, 1834, and as dedicated on Van Vorst's map, dated June 19, 1835; and as dedicated in the several deeds, mortgage, agreement and maps of 1834 and 1838; with abstract of dedication title annexed to the ruling in court of errors and appeals on Bright street."

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The corporation attorney to whom was referred

November 24, 1863, the petition of C. F. Durant, endorsed as follows, reported back said petition as "unnecessary proceedings having been taken to open the street referred to," viz:

"C. F. Durant's petition to open Montgomery street its whole length and breadth, by using police force to remove the disgraceful rookery nuisance owned by D. S. Gregory and his assigns, and all other obstructions from Van Vorst street to its easterly termination, near Newark avenue, as said Montgomery street is dedicated on the map recorded April 6, 1834, made by Bridges for Van Vorst, Gregory, Henderson and Gilchrist, and as dedicated on Van Vorst's farm map, dated June 19, 1835; and as dedicated in Van Vorst's deeds, dated April 5, 1834, and April 12, 1838; with synopsis from county record of deeds, mortgage, agreement, and maps, annexed to opinion of the court in Jersey City vs. Howeth, Beasley."

The report was received and the petition ordered filed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

The committee on assessments to whom was referred November 17, 1863, the petition of Patrick Mannion, to have refunded amount paid by him for improving his sidewalk on Newark avenue, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant for ten dollars be drawn on the city treasurer, in favor of Patrick Mannion, being the allowance to him as the owner of lot 31 Newark avenue, in accordance with a preamble and resolution of February 5, 1861, providing that an allowance of ten dollars per lot be allowed to every lot owner who has raised to the grade the sidewalk in front of his lot and has also paid the assessment on such lot for the improvement of Newark avenue from Warren street to Jersey avenue, confirmed January 29, 1861.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Mrs C Lynch, \$6; Hugh Reilly, \$39 79; and M E Van Sickle, \$22.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Samuel Bridgart, \$9 37; J B Haight, \$20; and Patrick Mannion, \$10 46;

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of Sheeran and Lehane, \$17 50, and \$13; and J H Sickles, \$88 12.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Clarke, Colston & Downes, \$32 40, and \$6 75, and \$1 80.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of James McLaughlin, \$57 71.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Edge, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz:

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance for the better regulation of the Fire Department of Jersey City,'"

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Gafney and adopted—

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the following Fire Insurance Companies for the renewal of policies of insurance on the City Hall, Station house, and Public School House No 3: Jersey City Insurance Company, seventy-five dollars; State Insurance Co., twenty-five dollars; Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company, twenty-five dollars; Merchants Insurance Company of the city of New York, fifty dollars.

By Alderman Edge and adopted—

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be instructed to prepare and report to this board an amendment or supplement to the charter which will make such change in the tenure of office of the chief engineer of the fire department as will extend the same to three years.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted—

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized to have the floor of the Common Council chamber taken up and relaid at an expense not to exceed fifty dollars.

On motion of Alderman Kane the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, December 15, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 8th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Margaret Smithurst, setting forth that her husband enlisted in the Thirty-third regiment, and did not receive the Jersey City bounty of \$200, and asking that said bounty be paid to her. &c.

Referred to the Special Committee on Enlistments.

Petition of John Brill for permission to redeem his lot, No. 4, in block 39, from sale made for taxes of 1857, by paying the amount of said tax, with seven per cent. interest thereon, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Communication from W. M. Beach, foreman of Liberty Fire Engine Company No. 1, in reference to the destruction of their engine, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Communication from C. K. Imbrie, secretary of "The Pastor's Conference of Jersey City," enclosing a copy of a preamble and resolution in reference to the sale of intoxicating liquors in Jersey City, passed by said body on the 14th inst.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Applications of John Corrigan and Francis Boyle for inn and tavern licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Application of Abraham Carter for a restaurant license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Patrick Weldon for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 29 Brunswick street, in the Sixth ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William Armstrong to have refunded to him \$10 00 of the amount paid for restaurant license of last year, &c.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of A. S. Jarvis and others to have Pro-vost street, from a point distant south from the south side of North Third street sixteen feet to the north side of North Seventh street, including intersections filled to the established grade, curbed, paved with Belgian or trap blocks, crosswalks laid and sidewalks flagged four feet wide.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

Petition of D. S. Gregory and others to have Washington street made from South Seventh street to Pavia avenue, through any authorized street, (or to be authorized), in connection with South Seventh street and Pavia avenue.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

[Alderman McBride obtained leave and retired.]

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Clarke, Colston & Downes, \$32 40, \$6 75 and \$1 80; J B Haight, \$20; S M Hoffman, \$14 50; Mrs C Lynch, \$6; James McLaughlin, \$57 71; Hugh Reilly, \$39 79; Sheeran & Lebane, \$17 50 and \$13; J H Sickles, \$88 12, and M E Van Syckle, \$22.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same,

and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of J M Blaney & Co., \$13 14; Thomas Doherty, \$134; Peter Doyle, \$16, and James Ford, \$38 60.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from the board of water commissioners, asking the privilege of converting the water closet in City Hall into a fire-proof vault, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, with power.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 15th inst., at 10 minutes before 11 o'clock A. M., by C. F. Durant, endorsed as follows:

Remonstrance against the suppression of civil rights by the city attorney's report, that "the petition is unnecessary, to open Montgomery street its whole length and breadth, by using police force to remove the disgraceful, rookery nuisance owned by D. S. Gregory, and his assigns, and all other obstructions, from Van Vorst street, to its easterly termination near Newark avenue, as said Montgomery street is dedicated on the map recorded April 6, 1834, made by Bridges for Van Vorst, Gregory, Henderson and Gilchrist, and as dedicated on Van Vorst's farm map, dated June 19, 1835, and as dedicated in Van Vorst's deeds, dated April 5, 1834 and April 12, 1838.

The paper was referred to the Committee on Streets.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 15th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., by C. F. Durant, endorsed as follows:

C. F. Durant's petition to open Mercer street by establishing a grade from Henderson street to the easterly terminus as dedicated by Van Vorst's maps and deeds of 1834, 1835 and 1838, to D. S. Gregory and others, as in objections 73, 77, 134, and 162, with abstract of title annexed to opinions of McClelland, City Attorney—"There is neither law or reason in the decision that dedicated streets can be sold or taken." By W'helpley, Chief Justice—"The contrary doctrine would destroy all city parks and streets, &c."

The paper was referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The official bond of Marcus Miller, as a city surveyor, with A. H. Wallis and R. B. Earle as sureties referred to the corporation attorney on the 8th inst., was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the bond referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Alms returned the claim referred to them November 24, 1863, of John Longstaff, \$66 02, for medicines for almshouse and the out door poor.

The claim was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred this evening, the official bond of Marcus Miller, as a city surveyor, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the official bond of Marcus Miller, as a city surveyor, executed by him as principal, and by Alexander H. Wallis and R. B. Earle as sureties be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the comptroller's office.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred September 15, 1863, the petition of M. J. Alexander, for the privilege of redeeming her lot, No. 76 Railroad avenue, in block 72, sold June 7, 1858, for taxes of 1857, on payment of the tax without interest, &c., presented a report thereon, setting

forth that said lot was sold to John Patten for the said tax, who has received a declaration of sale therefor and there is no power over the subject vested in the common council.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred Nov. 10, 1863, the petition of W. Sleight & Co., for a transfer of inn and tavern license, &c., presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the license of Ferdinand Wirt to keep an inn and tavern at No. 90 Montgomery street, in the Second ward, be transferred to W. Sleight & Co.

The report was received.

The resolution was declared rejected, the following being the vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, and Nafew.

Nays—Aldermen Broking, Earle, Ege, Hankins, Hough Kane and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

The Committee on Licenses to whom was re-committed Nov. 10, 1863, their report on the petition of F. P. Jones for an additional public porter's license, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That an additional public porter's license be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to Fennimore P. Jones, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 8th inst., the petition of David Harper, for an additional junk shop license, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license to run an additional wagon in Jersey City be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to David Harper, licensed junk shop keeper, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred on the 8th inst., the petition of Aaron Cox for a license as a city auctioneer, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a license as a city auctioneer be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Aaron Cox, on his paying the license fees and giving the bond required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaf-

ney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for junk shop licenses, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 55 Prospect street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city, to John O'Conner, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 48 Railroad avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to Michael Walker, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at junction of Newark avenue and South Fourth street, in the Sixth ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city to Alexander McDonald, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on each resolution:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankin, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride, and Terry.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for restaurant licenses, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Matthew Bradley to keep a restaurant at No. 110 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Lyon to keep a restaurant at No. 118 York street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh McLaughlin to keep a restaurant at 197 Provost street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Monaghan to keep a restaurant at 128 Morgan street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Post & Minard to keep a restaurant in the basement of the Darcy House, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Cahill to keep a restaurant at 64 Hudson street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Garret Hogan to keep a restaurant at 22 Pavonia avenue, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Bernard Gately to keep a restaurant at 53 Warren street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

The reports were received.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for inn and tavern licenses, the following resolutions accompanying the reports :

The reports were received and the resolutions disposed of as follows :

Resolved, That a license be granted to N. D. Taylor & Bro. to keep an inn and tavern at 19 Exchange Place, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Timothy Crimmins, to keep an inn and tavern at 109 North First street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William H. Smith, to keep an inn and tavern at 41 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Grimes, to keep an inn and tavern at northwest corner of South Third and Prospect streets in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to J. C. Bailey, to keep an inn and tavern at corner Hudson and Grand streets, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Harper, to keep an inn and tavern at corner Warren and Bergen streets, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael O'Keefe, to keep an inn and tavern at 129 Morgan street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Sabine Josephs, to keep an inn and tavern at 20 Pavonia avenue in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John McCoy, to keep an inn and tavern at 234 Grove street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hector McMullen, to keep an inn and tavern at 164 Newark avenue in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Philip Kullman, to keep an inn and tavern at 146 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Wm. J. Lampard to keep an inn and tavern at corner Erie and North Third streets, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to William Perry to keep an inn and tavern at 75 Newark avenue, in the Second Ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Byrnes to keep an inn and tavern at 73 North First street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John D. Canfield to keep an inn and tavern at 350 South Sixth street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James MacGarr to keep an inn and tavern at corner of South First and Provost streets, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Matthew Reardon to keep an inn and tavern at 209 Provost street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Francis Masterson to keep an inn and tavern at 61 Washington street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to George

Hunter to keep an inn and tavern at corner Warren street and Railroad avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at 51 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Quigley to keep an inn and tavern at 97 Essex street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Ernest Wildhagen to keep an inn and tavern at 136 Pavonia avenue, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Patrick Corrigan to keep an inn and tavern at 161, corner Barrow street and Newark avenue, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to G. H. Dietz to keep an inn and tavern at 17 Newark avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Mesow to keep an inn and tavern at 863 South Fifth street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Sylvester to keep an inn and tavern at the Darcy House, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President and Clarke, Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege, Hankins and Hough.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

On motion of Alderman Decker, the following resolutions, heretofore reported by the Committee on Licenses, were taken from the table and disposed of as follows :

Resolved, That a license to run two additional wagons in Jersey City be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to James Harper, licensed junk shop keeper, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nay—Alderman Ege.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Charles Henkel to keep an inn and tavern at 144 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Otto Meyer to keep an inn and tavern at 8, 10, 12 Exchange Place, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John T. Brosnan to keep an inn and tavern at No. 84 Montgomery street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Thomas Kelly to keep an inn and tavern at the southeast corner of York and Hudson streets, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Dolan to keep an inn and tavern at No. 133 Greene street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Michael Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at No. 45 York street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Hugh Garland to keep an inn and tavern at No. 34 Wayne street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Bond to keep an inn and tavern at No. 196 corner of Warren and Steuben streets, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Matthew Doyle to keep an inn and tavern at the southwest

corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Lynch to keep an inn and tavern at No. 177 Washington street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gafney, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege, Hankins and Hough.

Absent—Aldermen Gaddis, McBride and Terry.

The Committee on Police, to whom was referred on the 1st inst., with power, the communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from pay of Policeman Ira Smith, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That five days' pay be deducted from the salary of Policeman Ira Smith, and that the city clerk be requested to send a copy of this resolution to the chief of police.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred October 27, 1863, the communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from duty of Policeman Manning, &c., presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That three and one-half days' pay be allowed to Policeman Manning being the time lost pending the investigation of the charges against him, and that the city clerk be requested to send a copy of this resolution to the chief of police.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Police to whom was referred on the 1st inst., the petition of Policeman Thomas Scott to be allowed his pay from November 6, 1863, he having been disabled while in the discharge of his duty, presented a report thereon recommending that the petition be granted.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted:

[Alderman Cox obtained leave and retired.]

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, October 27, 1863, the petition of A. S. Jarvis and others for the establishment of a grade on North Fourth street, from Hudson street to Meadow street, presented an adverse report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of A. S. Jarvis and others, asking for the establishment of a grade for North Fourth street, from Hudson street to Meadow street, being deemed injurious to the commercial interests of the city, be denied.

The report was received and the resolution adopted:

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, May 26, 1863, the petition of Charles S. Archer and others for improvement of Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., presented a report thereon, setting forth that an ordinance providing for said improvement was passed September 1, 1863, and proposals for a contract were received October 13, 1863, and are now in the hands of the committee.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, October 6, 1863, the petition of James Lynch and others for the improvement of a part of South Eighth street, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table and printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filing to established grade, curbing and guttering South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide thereon."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets who have under consideration the petition referred to them December 1st, 1863, of McGraw & Co. and others, for the improvement of a portion of Greene street, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution, appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Monday, January 11th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council November 24, 1863, of McGraw & Co. and others, to have Greene street filled to the established grade, curbed and paved with Belgian blocks, the sidewalks on both sides flagged four feet wide; and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application, and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred November 24, 1863, and December 8, 1863, three petitions of C. F. Durant, presented an adverse report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayers of the applications of Charles F. Durant to open Van Vorst street, from Montgomery street to within one hundred feet of Newark avenue, and to open Mercer street, from Henderson street to within one hundred feet of Newark avenue, be denied.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Patrick Warren, \$2.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of G. W. Cassedy, \$21.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of J. W. Harrison, \$14 65 and \$8 25.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of F. A. Hampson, \$16 90 and C. Van Brunt, \$3.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of C. Van Brunt, \$10 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of B. F. Snow, \$47 28.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn, the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 1st inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the alteration of the grade of certain streets in the Fifth ward of Jersey City."

The ordinance was discussed, and on motion of Alderman Hankins, again laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Kane, the Board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber Tuesday December 22, 1863, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 15th inst., were read and approved.

Alderman Cox being the only member of the Committee on Finance present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Ege was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, &c., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Dennis Farrell to have refunded amount paid by him for improving sidewalk on Newark avenue, &c.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Petition of Elias H. Main for a reduction of taxes of 1863, on his property, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of William H. Conway to be appointed a policeman.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of the Jersey City Locomotive Works for permission to lay a railroad track in Warren street, from their works to the New Jersey Railroad Company's track, during the pleasure of the common council.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Petition of A. S. Jarvis and others for permission to lay a railroad track through North Sixth street from the tracks of the Erie railway and Morris and Essex Railroad to the river.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of Samuel Bridgart, \$9 37; G R Cary, \$2 91; W C Curren, \$119 25; G W Cassedy, \$21; F A Hampson, \$16 90; J W Harrison, \$14 65 and \$8 25; Patrick Mannion, \$10 46; J F Richardson, \$25; C Van Brunt, \$3; and Patrick Warren, \$2.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of J V Hardenbergh \$100; J B Haight, \$100; J D Nolan, \$66 66; R D McClelland, \$100; C C Martindale, \$58 33; G W Cassedy, \$166 66 and \$50; P D Vroom, \$50; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; A G Mason, \$30; and William Whitley, \$58 33.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The petition of A. S. Jarvis and others, for improvement of Provost street, from North Third to North Seventh street, by paving with cobble stones, &c., referred to the corporation attorney November 10, 1863, was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The petition of A. S. Jarvis and others, for improvement of Provost street, from North Third street to North Seventh street, by paving with Belgian blocks, &c., referred to the corporation attorney on the 15th inst., was reported back by that officer as drawn in legal form.

The report was received, and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The city clerk presented a report of publication

of notice of "Application to have North First street, from the easterly side of Prospect street to the west side of Meadow street, filled in to the established grade, curbed, guttered, sidewalks filled to the established grade, and flagged four feet wide, &c."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Washington street, from the north side of Morgan street to the north side of Bay street, filled in, raised to the established grade, guttered, curbed, paved, sidewalks on east side flagged, &c."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application August 18, 1863, by Alexander Hamilton and others, for the construction of a main sewer in Morgan street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application October 20, 1863, by Clark & Stelle and others, for a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Confirmation of assessment for the regulation of Meadow street, from the north side of Pavonia avenue to the centre of North Second street, including intersections."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board three papers served upon him this 22d inst., by C. F. Durant.

The papers were read.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the papers be laid on the table and the city clerk be requested not to enter in the minutes the endorsements made thereon by C. F. Durant, (the same being unnecessarily lengthy,) but to make in the minutes a very brief record of the contents of the communications.

Said papers being "Petition of C. F. Durant to have York street opened from Warren street to the westerly terminus, as York street is dedicated on Mangin's map, and by the grade established on Bridge's map, &c."

"Remonstrance of C. F. Durant in relation to refusing to appoint a time and place for a bearing on the merits of applications heretofore made by him to open Van Vorst street and Mercer street, &c."

"Petition of C. F. Durant to have Van Vorst street made from Montgomery street to the northerly terminus through any authorized street (or to be authorized or otherwise) in connection with Mercer street, or otherwise, as dedicated by Van Vorst's maps, deeds, &c."

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in reference to the confirmation of the assessment for improvement of Meadow street, &c., recommending the adoption of the following resolution;

Resolved, That the assessment for the regulation of Meadow street, from the north side of Pavonia avenue to the centre of North Second street, including intersections, by filling in to the established grade, curbing, guttering, laying bridge stone cross walks and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide thereon, be confirmed.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis and Terry.

The Committee on Assessments presented a report in reference to the assessment for improvement of Meadow street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, &c., recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of Keeney and Halladay for six hundred and fifty-six dollars and eighty-three cents, for balance due on their contract for the improvement of Meadow street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, including intersections, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of Delos E. Culver, for forty four dollars and fifty cents, being the amount of his bill for surveys, plans, specifications, maps, calculations, &c., for the improvement of Meadow street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

Resolved, That an improvement certificate be issued under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of Hugh Keenan, for seventy-three dollars and twelve cents, being the amount of his bill for superintending the improvement of Meadow street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis and Terry.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred December 1, 1863, the official bond of David Crocheron, as a city auctioneer, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the official bond of David Crocheron, as a city auctioneer, executed by him as principal, and by Thomas Negus and William H. Frasse as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the comptroller's office.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred December 15, 1863, the petition of John Brill for permission to redeem lot No. 4, in block 39, from sale made for taxes of 1857, &c., presented a report thereon, setting forth that said lot was sold to John Patten for the said tax, who received a declaration of sale therefor, and there is no power over the subject vested in the common council.

The report was received and adopted.

(Alderman Nafew obtained leave and retired.)

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred December 8, 1863, the petition of C. F. Durant, presented an adverse report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the communication of C. F. Durant, relative to endorsement of papers, &c., be denied.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

(Alderman Pangborn obtained leave and retired.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred December 15, 1863, a remonstrance of C. F. Du-

rant, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action of the city attorney in reference to communication of Charles F. Durant, asking to have Montgomery street opened, receives the unqualified approval of this board, and that said remonstrance be returned by the city clerk to said Durant, with a copy of this resolution.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred June 23, 1863, a remonstrance of C. F. Durant against the opening of Montgomery street, returned the same, and it was ordered filed in the city clerk's office.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of James Berry, \$15 85; J. W. Harrison, \$16 11; Peter Lynch, \$12; and A. B. Reynolds, \$20 43.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of A. B. Reynolds, 88 cents.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Davison & Ward, \$15.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$7; and A. B. Reynolds, \$7 81.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Davison & Ward, \$2.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Of Davison & Ward, \$8; and A. B. Reynolds, \$3 90.

Referred to committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of P. Sheeran & Co., \$84 50.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of John Coar, \$358 63; William Conner, \$7 50; Patrick Garvey, \$7; John Killen, \$23 64; Michael Killen, \$10; Thomas Lawless \$7 75; Patrick Maden, \$6 25; James McDermott, \$10 50; Patrick McDonnell, \$2 25; Brian McGuynne, \$7 50; Peter Rush, \$25 79, and John Ryan, \$6 25.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman McBride:

Whereas, the report and maps of the commissioners of assessments for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst street and Gregory street, in pursuance of an ordinance approved June 18, 1863, have been by this board adopted and confirmed. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the proceedings directed to be had under the provisions of the 56th section of the charter shall at once be complied with.

2d. Resolved, That the city treasurer shall tender and pay to the owners of the land taken for said improvement and to persons entitled to damages, if resident in the city, the amount of such assessment due to him; but if such owner is not resident of the city, or upon due inquiry can not be found therein, or is a lunatic, or idiot, or an infant, or if for any other lawful cause he is incapacitated to receive the same, or if such owner will not accept the same and sign a proper receipt therefor, when tendered, then the city treasurer shall make affidavit of such facts and file the same with the city clerk; and this common council will, after inquiry into the facts of the case, direct the amount of such assessment to be placed either in the city treasury or in some safe bank, as the circumstances of the case may require, for the use of the person to whom the same may be due, and upon filing such receipt of the owner, or the passing of

such resolution by the common council (if any such resolution shall be necessary), the said lands, according to the directions of the act to incorporate Jersey City, approved March 18, 1851, shall be vested in the city.

3d. Resolved, That as soon as the proceedings named in the 2d section of these resolutions shall have been complied with, the Committee on Streets of this common council shall advertise for sale at public vendue the buildings and parts of buildings on the land taken for said street in at least two of the newspapers published in Jersey City, for at least the space of seven days, and cause notices of said sales to be put up in some public place in each of the wards of said city for the same space of time, which notices shall designate the day and hour and place at which the said buildings or parts of buildings shall be exposed for sale, at which time and place the same shall be sold by the said committee, on such terms and conditions as they may deem advisable, and removed by the purchasers thereof by the first day of February next, and in default of such removal by said day the same shall be forthwith removed, under the direction of said committee.

4th. And be it resolved, That for the purpose of enabling the city treasurer to make the payments in the second of these resolutions mentioned, the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby instructed to borrow the amount of forty-one thousand one hundred and eighty-three dollars, being the gross amount assessed for value and damages aforesaid in anticipation of the collection of the amount assessed for said improvement and that the bonds of the city be issued therefor, to run for the space of one year, and that the mayor and city clerk be authorized to execute said bonds according to law under the corporate seal of the city.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane and McBride.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Nafew Pangborn and Terry.

(Alderman Earle obtained leave and retired.)

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 15th inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz :

“An ordinance to provide for filling to establish grade, curbing and guttering South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide thereon.”

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane and McBride.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Earle, Gaddis, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase a heater for Hook and Ladder Company number one, the amount not to exceed seventy-five dollars.

(Alderman Pangborn appeared and took his seat.)

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted :

Whereas, The board of enrollment for the Fifth district are now in session in the city of Newark for the purpose of hearing applications for exemption from military duty ; and

Whereas, It would be very oppressive on the citizens of Jersey City, having applications for exemptions before said board to be compelled to attend their meetings from day to day, therefore be it

Resolved, That his honor the mayor be requested to invite said board of enrollment to hold a session of their board in this city for one week, and that the use of the common council chamber be tendered to them.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the common council chamber Saturday, December 26, 1863, at 8 o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President the board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane and Terry.

In the absence of the president, on motion of Alderman Nafew, Alderman Earle was appointed president *pro tempore*.

The call of the meeting was read by the city clerk and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Dec. 26, 1863. }

Geo. W. Cassedy, Esq., City Clerk:

Dear Sir: You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the common council to be held this evening at the council chamber, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of considering the subject of an increase of bounty to volunteers from Jersey City. Please urge upon the members the importance of a full attendance.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following communication was presented from his honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
JERSEY CITY, Dec. 26, 1863 }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

The object of convening you this evening arises from intelligence very recently received by communications from the army of the Potomac.

I am informed from various sources that the representatives of other cities and townships obtain great advantage over us, by reason of the statement to the troops that they pay a greater bounty than the authorities of Jersey City.

It must follow from such a state of things, that other places will obtain the quota of veterans now in the army, who would otherwise be accredited to Jersey City.

I desire to call your serious attention to this matter, to the end that you may take such action in reference thereto as may seem advisable. A communication from Colonel Sewell, of the Fifth regiment, is hereto annexed, which will serve to enlighten your honorable body as to the true state of facts.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Gafney:

Whereas, Other counties, cities and townships in our State are now paying a bounty of three hundred and fifty dollars for recruits to fill their quota; and, whereas, Jersey City has not yet filled her quota, and as it is necessary to place her in as favorable a position as other localities, to accomplish that object, be it

Resolved, That Jersey City will pay a bounty of three hundred and fifty dollars to veteran recruits enlisting in the field and to all other recruits enlisting in the city from this date to be accredited to Jersey City.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Ege, Edge and Nafew:

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—President Clarke, and Alderman Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane and Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Cox:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers (as provided for in the resolutions passed November 6, 1863), the further sum of one hundred thousand dollars to be appropriated to that object, and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, bonds to that amount or for a lesser sum, and the comptroller to countersign the same, said bonds to be drawn payable to the party or parties named in said requisition, for a period of four months, and at a rate of interest not to exceed seven per cent. per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins, Kane and Terry.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, December 29, 1863, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Absent—Alderman Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 22d inst., and of the special meeting of the 26th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of P. H. Zabriskie, for permission to build a pier or dock from his lots, Nos 460 and 462, corner of Bergen and Putnam streets, to extend out to the easterly line of Jersey City.

Referred to Committee on Ferries and Wharves.

Application of John B. Rae for an inn and tavern license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Daniel McNamara to be reinstated in his former position as policeman.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of William Caldwell and Patrick Flinn to have the sidewalks in Brunswick street from the southerly side of Newark avenue to the northerly side of South Sixth street filled to the established grade, and flagged four feet wide, and the necessary crosswalks laid at South Sixth street, South Seventh street and South Eighth street, &c.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of James Berry, \$15 85; John Coar, \$353 63; William Conner, \$7 50; Davison and Ward, \$15, \$3 and \$2; Nathaniel Ellis, \$7; Patrick Garvey, \$7; J. W. Harrison, \$16 11; John Killeen, \$23 64; Michael Killeen, \$10; Thomas Lawless, \$7 75; Peter Lynch, \$12; Patrick Maden, \$6 25; James McDermott, \$10 59; Patrick McDonnell, \$2 25; Brian McGuynne, \$7 50; A. B. Reynolds, \$20 43; \$7 81 and 88 cents; Peter Rush, \$25 73; John Ryan, \$6 25; Patrick Sheeran & Co., \$84 50, and C. Van Brunt, \$10 50.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from the street commissioner setting forth that he has served notices on persons living in buildings to be taken for opening of Montgomery street, to vacate the same &c., was presented, received, and ordered filed.

A communication from the corporation attorney, submitting sundry proposed amendments to the charter of Jersey City, &c., was presented, received and, on motion of Alderman Gaddis, the amendments were laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the Board.

The corporation attorney, to whom was referred, December 1st, 1863, the petition of D. S. Gregory and others to have Washington street made from South 7th street to Pavonia avenue through any authorized street or to be authorized in connection with South 7th street and Pavonia avenue, presented a report thereon, recommending that the same be referred to Committee on Streets to the end that all parties interested in the improvement may be called together for the purpose of procuring their views relative to an application to the Legislature on the subject.

The report and petition were laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Earle.

The city clerk laid before the board seven papers served upon him this 29th inst., by C. F. Durant.

The reading of the papers was commenced when, on motion of Alderman Edge, the same was stopped, on the ground of their being disrespectful.

On motion of Alderman McBride, it was

Resolved, That the papers be laid on the table and their consideration indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That the city clerk be requested not to enter in the minutes any reference to the endorsement or contents of the communications.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, enclosing returns of the following elections in, resignations and expulsion from, said fire department, confirmed by the fire commissioners:

Elections of John Flynn, by Engine Company No. 2; Philip Duffy, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2; Philip Tumblety and Michael Quinlan, by Hose Company No. 6.

Resignations of Charles S. Fox, from Engine Company No. 1; James Barry, Minard Sharp, Henry Heller and Peter Lynch, from Engine Company No. 3; C. L. Armstrong and J. H. Startup, from Engine Company No. 5; Joseph W. Strober, from Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

Expulsion of R. H. Johnston from Hose Company No. 6.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the applications heretofore referred to them of the following named parties for licenses, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

The reports were received and the resolutions disposed of as follows:

Resolved, That a license be granted to Francis Boyle to keep an inn and tavern at 317 Grove street, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City.

Resolved, That a license be granted to John Corrigan, to keep an inn and tavern at 117 Newark avenue, in the Third ward of Jersey City.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Ege, Hankins and Hough.

Absent—Alderman Terry.

Resolved, That a license be granted to Abram Carter, to keep a restaurant at 26 Montgomery street, in the Second ward of Jersey City.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Alderman Terry.

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at 29 Brunswick street, in the Sixth ward, of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Patrick Weldon, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinances relating to such licenses.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Terry.

The Committee on Railroads to whom was referred November 17, 1863, the remonstrance of Jacob Weart and others, against the laying of a double railroad track in Newark avenue, between Jersey

avenue and Grove street, presented a report thereon, setting forth that they deem it inexpedient to pass the ordinance now on the table, providing for the laying of said track, &c., the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That the further consideration of the ordinance referred to in the above report, inasmuch as the same provides for a double track in Newark avenue and not for a turnout therein, or through some parallel street be indefinitely postponed.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred November 3, 1863, the petition of H. J. Baker and Bro. for the improvement of Washington street from Morgan street to Bay street, presented a favorable report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table, and printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for regulating, curbing, gutting and paving Washington street from the north side of Morgan street to the north side of Bay street, and flagging the sidewalks on the east side thereof."

The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, November 17, 1863, the petition of William Purcell and others for improvement of North First street from Prospect street to Meadow street, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table, and printed on slips for the use of the Board, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for regulating, curbing, and gutting North First street from the easterly side of Prospect street to the westerly side of Meadow street, and flagging the sidewalks thereon four feet wide."

The report was received, and its recommendation adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Henry Leinbeck, \$40.

Referred to special Committee on Soldiers' burial ground.

Of Ward and McGown, \$138 20.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of John Egan, \$126 78 and \$17 68; Thomas Howe, \$19 21, and Hughes and Piaget, \$15.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of W. D. Cory, \$12 42.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of commissioners of appeal, \$41.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections.

Of D. W. Culver, \$3295 03 and \$53 04; Hugh Keenan, \$206 94, and L. W. Post, \$56 60.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, the following communication, presented from his Honor the mayor, November 10, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, Nov. 7, 1863. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I herewith return, without my approval, the following resolution passed by your honorable body on the 27th ult., viz:

"Resolved. That the Committee on Alms be authorized to make the necessary arrangements with the managers of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, near Carmansville, New York, for the admission of Mary Fullman into that institution as a pupil from,

and under the charge of the common council of Jersey City.

Whilst conceding the humanity of such a disposition of the funds of the public, it must be remembered that we are governed in the municipal affairs by the powers delegated by the charter.—The resolution signifies that the expenses incident to such admission must be paid out of the city treasury. I have sought in vain among such powers for authority to send out of the State pupils to any institution of instruction for the deaf and dumb, and knowing that whatever is not granted in the act of incorporation is deemed to have been withheld, I cannot imagine that such an act could be maintained.

I am constrained to this course of action, not alone by the foregoing consideration, but by the fact that I have been informed several other applications of the same character are meditated to be made to your honorable body, in case this one should be carried into effect; and the consequence might be that, without invidious distinctions, a very large amount of the funds of the city would be expended for unauthorized purposes.

The acts of the legislature provide the method in which such afflicted persons can be relieved by application to the governor for that purpose. a special fund having been appropriated therefor, and in case the requirements of the law can be complied with, I have little doubt that such application would be successful.

Very respectfully,
J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

Alderman Hankins moved,

"That the resolution do now pass, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the mayor."

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaffney, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Terry.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the following entitled ordinance, presented December 1, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the alteration of the grade of certain streets in the Fifth ward of Jersey City." The blank in the first section of the ordinance was filled.

The ordinance, as amended, was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gaffney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Terry.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Kane and adopted:

Resolved, That the street commissioner be requested to have all the cobble stones and earth removed from the sidewalks on the south side of Newark avenue, between South Eighth street and South Sixth street, in forty-eight hours after the city clerk has served a copy of this resolution on him.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Duff:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be, and are hereby authorized to have the Henderson street sewer cleaned and repaired, from Newark avenue to Grand street.

The resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Ege, the board then adjourned.

GEORGE W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, January 5th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankias, Hough, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Edge, Gafney, Nafew and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 29, 1863, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Communication from the recruiting agents in Jersey City, in reference to the payment of bounties to volunteers.

Referred to the Special Committee on Enlistments.

Communication from a Committee of Hercules Engine Company No. 3, asking the common council to defer any action in reference to a change of the term of office of the chief engineer of the fire department.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of the fourth section of Hudson County Artillery to have their drill room in the old engine house in Sussex street repaired, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of John Longstaff \$66 02, B. F. Snow \$47 28, and Ward & McGown \$138 20.

Claims of D. W. Culver \$3,295 03, Hugh Keenan \$206 94, and Levi W. Post \$56 60 for work and materials furnished in improvement of Provost street from Pavonia avenue to North 2d street, and a claim of D. W. Culver \$53 04 for labor and materials furnished at intersection of Pavonia avenue and Provost street, referred to the Committee on Streets December 29, 1863, were reported correct by said committee.

The reports were received, adopted, and the claims referred to the Committee on Assessments to be assessed.

A claim of Mrs. C. Lynch \$6 00 for nursing child from Alms House was presented, referred to the Committee on Alms, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the report of the committee on the same, and said claim was reported correct and ordered paid.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of December, 1863, showing a balance in the city treasury, December 31, 1863, of \$16,911 22, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A report of the chief of police of the number of oil lamps not burning during the month of December 1863, was presented, received and referred to the committee on lamps.

A report of the chief of police of the number of gas lamps not burning during the quarter ending December 31, 1863, was presented, received and referred to the committee on lamps.

A certificate of Levi W. Post, city surveyor, of there being due to D. W. Culver the sum of one thousand one hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixty-seven cents in improvement certificates on account of his contract for improvement of Provost street, &c., was presented, received and referred to committee on assessments.

A communication was presented from the corporation attorney enclosing a draft of a proposed act, and recommending that the same be presented to the legislature for passage, the same being entitled "an act to legalize loans made by the mayor and common council of Jersey City for purposes rela-

ting to the maintenance of the federal government and provide for the raising of further sums." The communication was, received, and the draft referred to the committee on finance.

The following communication was presented from the board of education:

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the board of education held at their rooms on Monday evening, January 4, 1864, it was resolved by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken that a requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims:

Barnes & Burr, books and stationery public school No. 1...	\$225 52
Barnes & Burr, books and stationery public school No. 2...	50 64
and.....	273 20
Barnes & Burr, books and stationery public school No. 3...	28 65
Barnes & Burr, books and stationery public school No. 3...	229 23
Barnes & Burr, books and stationery charges.....	2 80
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Less credit by merchandize... 8 25—\$ 801 79

Henry A. Greene, books and stationery school No. 2..... 40 35

Henry A. Greene, books and stationery school No. 3..... 2 00— 42 35

Blakeman & Mason, books and stationery school No. 3..... 37 51

Wm. H. Cory, furnaces in school No. 1 155 00

Wm. D. Cory, for repairs school No. 1.. 26 00

P. H. Nugent, for repairs school No. 2.. 1 75

Jacob Soney, for repairs school No. 1. 3 05

John McGuigan, for repairs..... 36 75

John Kane, for repairs school No. 2... 27 98

August Beseman for repairs school No. 3 5 00

Cronham & Wetterson, repairs school No. 1..... 2 25

Cronham & Wetterson, repairs school No. 2..... 2 46

Cronham & Wetterson, repairs school No. 2..... 149 57

Cronham & Wetterson, repairs school No. 3..... 75

W. B. Williams, attorney, for rent colored school to February 1st..... 20 00

Board of Education, for three months' salary of teachers to February 1st... 4312 00

Clerk of Board of Education, for three months' salary to February 1st..... 25 00

Resolved, By the votes of a majority of the board of education that requisition be made for paying the claim of William C. Whyte for repairs school No. 2.....\$430 82

It was also resolved, unanimously, that the salaries of the male principals of schools No. 1, 2 and 3 be increased to \$1,500 per annum each, the same to take effect from November 1st, and that the common council be requested to concur therein.

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, January 4, 1864.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition presented this evening from the board of education and for the amounts respectively named.

Alderman Earle moved that this common council concur in the recommendation of the board of education increasing the salaries of the principals of public schools No. 1, 2 and 3.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Ege, Gaddis and Pangborn.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, Kane, McBride, and Pangborn.

Nay—Alderman Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Edge, Gafney, Nafew and Terry.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor the mayor October 14, 1863, of the ordinance passed October 13, 1863, entitled "An supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets.'"

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by His Honor the mayor December 24, 1863 of the ordinance passed December 22, 1863, entitled "An ordinance to provide for filling to established grade, curbing and guttering South Eighth street, from a line distant easterly fifteen feet from the westerly corner of Brunswick street and the westerly corner of Gilbert street to the westerly limits of the city, including intersections, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide thereon."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board an affidavit filed in his office this 5th inst. at twenty minutes of ten o'clock a. m., by the city treasurer, reciting his proceedings in tendering the amounts awarded by the commissioners in the opening of Montgomery street, &c., and also the receipts of the parties for the amounts awarded to them.

The affidavit was ordered filed in the city clerk's office.

The following preamble and resolutions in relation thereto were offered by Alderman McBride.

Whereas, Peter D. Vroom, treasurer of Jersey City, has made affidavit, dated the fifth day of January, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-four, which affidavit was filed with the city clerk on the same day, by which (the same being read) it appears that Dudley S. Gregory and Johann H. Hopken, to each of whom was awarded amounts of money by the commissioners appointed by this board by ordinance approved June 18, 1863, entitled "An ordinance to provide for the opening of a street from where Montgomery street intersects Warren street, to where Montgomery street intersects Van Vorst and Gregory streets," for value of land, and buildings, and damages; have received the amounts so awarded, and have given proper receipts therefor. And whereas, it further appears by said affidavit, that Elizabeth H. Durant, the wife of Charles F. Durant, to whom was awarded an amount of money by said commissioners for value of land and buildings, and damages, is incapacitated from receiving the same and cannot give a proper receipt therefor, for the cause set forth in said affidavit. And whereas, it further appears by said affidavit, that Catherine Drayton, to whom was awarded by said commissioners an amount of money for value of lands and buildings taken, and damages, is incapacitated from receiving the same, for the cause set forth in said affidavit. And whereas, it further appears by said affidavit, that the heirs of James Harrison, the heirs of William Harrison, the heirs of the estate of Samuel Baldwin, Sarah C. Baldwin David A. Frame and Thomas McGowran, are non-residents of Jersey City, and could not be found therein, and that had they been found, they were incapable to receive the amounts of money respectively awarded to them by said commissioners, as value of land, buildings and damages, for the causes set forth in said affidavit: and that John Drayton and Annie T. Brown, and James McLaughlin are so incapacitated from receiving the same, as value of land and buildings, and damages awarded to them respectively, for the cause set forth in the said affidavit. And whereas,

it appears by said affidavit, that most of the lessees to whom damages were by said commissioners awarded, have received the sums so awarded and given proper receipts therefor, and said receipts have been left with the city clerk; and that others of said lessees, to-wit: Charles R. Townsend, James Barnes, John Ryan, Charles Traverse and James Farrell, to whom damages were so awarded, could not be found in Jersey City; and that other of said lessees, to-wit: William King, Mary Conolly, Henry French and Frederick Scriber, refused to accept the awards made by said commissioners for their damages, respectively; and that George Finch, another of said lessees, to whom damages were so awarded, has recently become deceased, and that there is not any representative at present capacitated to receive the same; therefore, be it

Resolved, And this common council, after inquiry into the facts of the case, do direct that the amounts hereinafter set forth, being the value of the land and buildings and the damages awarded to the owners of the same, and the damages to the lessees, to-wit:

The sum of \$8,736 awarded to Elizabeth H., wife of Charles H. Durant.

The sum of \$4,275 awarded to Catharine Drayton.

The sum of \$4,682 awarded to heirs of James Harrison.

The sum of \$3,400 awarded to heirs of William Harrison.

The sum of \$696 awarded to Thomas McGowran.

The sum of \$2,344 awarded to estate of Samuel Baldwin.

The sum of \$926 awarded to Sarah Baldwin.

The sum of \$3,000 awarded to David A. Frame.

The sum of \$3,975 awarded to John Drayton.

The sum of \$72 awarded to Annie T. Brown.

The sum of \$7 awarded to James McLaughlin.

The sum of \$75 awarded to Charles R. Townsend, lessee.

The sum of \$15 awarded to James Barnes, lessee.

The sum of \$11 awarded to John Ryan, lessee.

The sum of \$15 awarded to Charles Travers, lessee.

The sum of \$40 awarded to James Farrell, lessee.

The sum of \$50 awarded to William King, lessee.

The sum of \$100 awarded to Mary Conolly, lessee.

The sum of \$11 awarded to Henry French, lessee.

The sum of \$12 awarded to Frederick Scriber, lessee.

The sum of \$40 awarded to George Finch, lessee—

be placed in the city treasury for the use of the person or persons to whom the same may be due, and that payment of said sums be made to the persons entitled thereto, by the city treasurer, on the requisition of the Committee on Laws of this Common Council, which said committee shall be satisfied, before making such requisition that such payments can be made without loss to the city, provided that a proper receipt for said amounts be received by said treasurer on the making of such payments; and, be it further

Resolved, That the receipts of the persons who received the said awards from the city treasurer be filed in the office of the city clerk.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Hankins, Ege and Gaddis:

Yeas—President Clarke, Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Broking, Cox, Decker, Edge, Gafney, Nafew and Terry.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 5th inst., at twenty minutes past 3 o'clock, P. M., by C. F. Durant.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the common council refused to receive the same, and ordered it to be returned to Mr. Durant, with a copy of the 23d rule of order of the common council—said rule being as follows:

Every petition, remonstrance or other written application, intended to be presented to the board, must be handed to a member thereof before the hour of meeting, who shall examine the same, and endorse thereon the name of the applicant or person from whom he received the same, and the substance of such application, and sign his name thereto, which endorsement only shall be read, unless a member shall desire the whole to be read.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 5th inst., at twenty-five minutes past 12 o'clock, P. M., by C. F. Durant.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the common council refused to receive the same, and ordered it to be returned to Mr. Durant, with a copy of the 23d rule of order.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 5th inst., at half-past 12 o'clock P.M., by C. F. Durant.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn, the common council refused to receive the same, and ordered it to be returned to Mr. Durant, with a copy of the 23d rule of order.

The city clerk laid before the board a paper served upon him this 5th inst., at thirty-five minutes past 12 o'clock, P. M., by C. F. Durant.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn, the common council refused to receive the same, and ordered it to be returned to Mr. Durant, with a copy of the 23d rule of order.

The petition of William Caldwell and John Flinn for improvement of sidewalks in Brunswick street, &c., referred to the corporation attorney Dec. 29, 1863, was reported back by that officer, as drawn in legal form.

The report was received and the petition referred to the committee on streets.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on sewers to whom were referred Oct. 6, 1863, the petition of Alexander Hamilton and others for a main sewer in Morgan street, from a point fifty feet east of Prospect street to tide water at the Hudson river, &c., and the estimate of the board of water commissioners of the cost of said sewer, &c., and to whom were referred, Sep. 1, 1863 the remonstrances of Campbell and Fitzgerald and others, and Morris and Cummings and others, against the construction of said sewer, presented an adverse report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition of Alexander Hamilton and others for a main sewer in Morgan street be denied, for the reason that this common council deem it inexpedient to build the sewer at the present time.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The committee on sewers to whom were referred November 17, 1863, the petition of Clarke & Stelle and others for a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets, and the estimate of the board of water commissioners of the cost of said culvert, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, on the twentieth day of October, 1863, an application was made to the common council of Jersey City for the construction of a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery

streets, and notice for objections to the same having been duly published, and the time for a hearing appointed, and

Whereas, no objections to the construction of said culvert have been made or presented, therefore

Resolved, That a culvert at the southwest corner of Greene and Montgomery streets ought to be constructed, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to notify the board of water commissioners of this decision and determination of the common council.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Edge, Gafney, Nafew and Terry.

The Committee on Streets, who have under consideration the petition referred to them December 22, 1863, of A. S. Jarvis and others for improvement of Provost street, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution appointing a time and place for a hearing.

Resolved, That Saturday, January 30, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the City Hall are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council December 15, 1863, of A. S. Jarvis and others, to have Provost street, from North Third street to North Seventh street, filled in to the established grade, curbed and paved with Belgian or trap blocks, and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide, crosswalks laid, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of the said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of Claflin Mellen & Co. \$19 79. Drayton & Durant \$183 68, Matthew Erwin \$102 36, and Hugh Reilly \$48 89.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of board of commissioners of assessments \$30 and J. B. Haight \$10 00.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Of Samuel Bridgart \$14 80.

Referred to Committee on Finance

Of J. W. Harrison \$14 82.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William C. Curren \$106 75, and J. F. Richardson \$33 25.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of R. B. Earle & Co. \$10 87, and Nathaniel Ellis \$44 64.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of J. H. Lyon \$296 50.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of R. B. Earle & Co. \$36 77

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of W. H. Gautier & Co. \$71 00.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be empowered to have the furnace of the city hall put in repair.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Whereas, There has been a large debt made by the common council for volunteering, and

Whereas, There is no law authorizing us to create a sinking fund for the payment of the debt, Therefore be it

Resolved, That the city attorney be requested to draft a law for the purpose of having it passed at the legislature at its coming session.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the petition of D. S. Gregory and others, to have Washington street

made from South Seventh street to Pavonia avenue, &c., and the report thereon of the city attorney presented December 29, 1863, were taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be requested to confer with the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, and ascertain and report to this board, the best terms upon which a settlement can be made for the destruction of Fire Engine No. One.

On motion of Alderman Kane, the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, January 12, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Broking.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 5th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Petition of W. H. Rodgers for permission to redeem lot 164 Gilchrist street, in block 8, sold to the city treasurer for taxes of 1860, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Remonstrance of Engine Company No. 4 against the extension of the tenure of office of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Ephraim Houghtaling to have paid to him the moneys awarded to James Farrell for damages incurred in the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of Charles Cowper for an increase of the compensation awarded to him for damages in the matter of the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of Hugh Carr for remission of fine for violating city ordinance and release from city prison.

On motion of Alderman Edge the petition was referred to the Committee on Police with power.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of board of commissioners of assessments, \$20; Samuel Brigdant, \$14 80; Cladin, Mellen & Co., \$19 79; W. C. Curran, \$106 75; Draxton & Durant, \$183 68; R. B. Earle & Co., \$10 87; John Egan, \$126 73 and \$17 68; Nathaniel Ellis, \$44 64; Matthew Erwin, \$102 36; W. H. Gautier & Co., \$71; J. B. Haight, \$10; J. W. Harrison, \$14 82; Thomas Howe, \$19 21; Hughes & Piaget, \$15; Henry Limbeck, \$40; J. H. Lyon, \$296 50; Hugh Reilly, \$48 89 and J. F. Richardson, \$33 25.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the Board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Police Department, \$2,029 83; Mrs. C. Rafferty, \$6; and A. P. Rikeman, \$3 20.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A return from the board of water commissioners of unpaid water rents for the year commencing May 1, 1862, was presented, received and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That the return received this evening from the board of water commissioners, of unpaid water rents of 1862, be referred to the Committee on Finance, with power to advertise and sell according to law, the property described therein, and with power to make all needful rules and regulations for the government of such sale, and with authority to suspend or adjourn the sale of the same, or any part thereof.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized, in advertising for sale the property described in return received this evening from the board of water commissioners, of unpaid water

rents of 1862, to advertise at the same time all property heretofore suspended from sale or ordered re-advertised by the common council.

A communication from the board of assessors, recommending the common council to petition the legislature for the passage of an act to erase the word "mills" from the charter and the repeal of the law ordering a military tax of fifty cents on every citizen under forty-five and over twenty-one years of age, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

A report of M. McKone, gauger and inspector of domestic liquors, for the quarter ending December 29, 1863, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 6th inst. of the ordinance passed December 29, 1863, entitled "An ordinance to provide for the alteration of the grade of certain streets in the fifth ward of Jersey City."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application to legislature for amendments to the charter of Jersey City.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application for the improvement of Greene street from Steuben st. to Harsimus st."

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board six papers served upon him this 12th inst. by C. F. Durant.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the common council refused to receive the same, and ordered them to be returned to Mr. Durant with a copy of the 23d rule of order.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred on the 5th inst., the certificate of Levi W. Post, city surveyor, of amount due D. W. Culver, on account of his contract for improvement of Provost street, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That improvement certificates be issued, under the direction of the Committee on Finance in favor of Daniel W. Culver, for one thousand one hundred and ninety-six dollars and sixty seven cents, on account of his contract for improvement of Provost street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, and that his honor the mayor be requested to sign the same, and the city clerk be directed to affix the seal of the city thereto.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Broking.

The committee on finance to whom was referred, Nov. 3, 1863, the communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancellation of sale of lot 24 in block 200, erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1861, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sale made Oct. 1 1863, for water rents of 1861, of lot 24 on Montgomery st. in block 200, be cancelled of record by the city clerk for the reason that said lot was erroneously returned by the board of water commissioners, and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the purchaser, James Mallory, for the purchase money paid by him with interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from the

date of said sale, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot.

Resolved, That the collector of revenue be requested to advertise for sale for water rents of 1861 lot 76 in block 200, city map, reported owner J. B. Petherbridge.

The report was received, and the resolutions adopted.

The committee on finance, to whom was referred on the 5th inst. the draft of an act in reference to legalizing the issue of bonds for payment of bounties, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution;

Resolved, That the act entitled "An act to legalize loans made by the mayor and common council of Jersey City, for purposes relating to the federal government, and provide for the raising of further sums," be printed for the use of this board to the end that the same may be properly considered.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

(Alderman Earle obtained leave and retired.)

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred November 17, 1863, the petition of Jacob Erwin, for permission to pay the assessment on his property in Railroad avenue for sewer at legal rate of interest, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred December 22, 1863, the petition of E. H. Main for a reduction of taxes of 1863, on his property &c., reported the following resolutions in relation thereto:

Resolved, That whereas the assessor of the Fourth ward has assessed real estate of the wife of Elias H. Main, at nearly double the value of the same, and the said assessment was imposed under a misapprehension of the law, and that the owner was non-resident and received no tax bill until too late to present his case to the commissioners of appeal. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the collector of revenue be and is hereby instructed to accept from said owner in full of said tax for the year 1863, the amount of tax on four thousand five hundred dollars.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred on the 5th inst. the petition of D. S. Gregory and others to have Washington street made from South 7th street to Pavonia avenue, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of D. S. Gregory and others, asking to have Washington street extended from South Seventh street to Pavonia avenue, through any authorized street or any street that may hereafter be authorized in connection with South Seventh street and Pavonia avenue, together with the report of the city attorney thereon be continued in the hands of the Committee on Laws and Ordinances to the end that said committee may advertise for a meeting in this chamber of those interested in said application in order that such persons may be heard before said committee on the merits of the same.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred December 1st, 1863, the petition of Bridget Connolly to be relieved from payment of fine imposed on her by the recorder, &c., presented an adverse report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petition [of

Bridget Connolly asking to be relieved from payment of fine imposed on her by the recorder be denied.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred December 29, 1863, the petition of J. B. Rae for an inn and tavern license presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution

Resolved, That a license be granted to John B. Rae to keep an inn and tavern at 115 Hudson street (Atlantic Hotel) in the first ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gainey, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hannins.

Absent—Aldermen Broking and Earle.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred December 22, 1863, the petition of the Jersey City Locomotive Works for permission to lay a railroad track from their works to the New Jersey Railroad track, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, accompanied by the following resolutions

Resolved, That the Jersey City Locomotive Works are hereby granted the privilege of laying a track of iron rails in Warren street, from the junction of said street with the tracks of the Northern and New Jersey railroads, northerly to a point one hundred feet north of the north side of Morgan street, under the direction of the Committee on Streets, said privilege being granted during the pleasure of this common council.

Resolved, That this common council may, at any time, order the removal of said track, and said Locomotive Works, when so ordered to remove said track, shall leave said street in as good order and condition as it now is, or may be at the time of laying said track.

Resolved, That the acceptance of the privileges herein granted to the Jersey City Locomotive Works, upon the conditions named in these resolutions, shall bind said Locomotive Works to the fulfillment of all the requirements named in these resolutions.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on sewers to whom was referred November 17, 1863, the opinion of the city attorney as to the power of the common council to grant permission to the New Jersey Railroad Company to build so much of the proposed sewer in Greene street as may be covered by their tracks, and the communication from the board of water commissioners in reference thereto, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the committee can see no impediment in the way of building a lateral sewer in Greene street as applied for by Michael Mullone, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

On motion of Alderman Duff, the report and following preamble and resolution of the committee on sewers presented October 13, 1863, on the petition of Michael Mullone for a lateral sewer in Greene street, &c., were taken from the table for consideration:

Whereas, On the 30th day of June, 1863, an application was made to the common council of Jersey City for the construction of a lateral sewer in Greene street from a point fifty feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street, to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street with the necessary man holes, receiving basins, &c., and notice for objections to the same having

been duly published and the time for a hearing appointed, and

Whereas, No objections to the construction of said lateral sewer have been made or presented; therefore

Resolved, That a lateral sewer in Greene street from a point fifty feet southerly of the southerly line of Mercer street, to connect with the main sewer in Wayne street with necessary man holes, receiving basins, culverts, &c. the whole to correspond in all essential particulars with the general sewerage act ought to be constructed, and that the city clerk is hereby directed to notify the board of water commissioners of this decision and determination of the common council, and request them to allow the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Co. to do their own work along side of and through their own property in accordance with their application received this evening

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gatney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Broking and Earle.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$55 88.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of John Anness, \$75; Cronham & Wetterson, \$7 33; Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$136 10; and J. W. Harrison, \$11 65.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$2 93 24.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$146 48.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Cronham & Wetterson, \$30 77; and Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company, \$67 98

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of J. W. Roosevelt, \$100.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of A. G. Mason, \$52.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of D. E. Culver, \$15.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

(Alderman Cox obtained leave and retired.)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the draft of an act entitled "Supplement to an act entitled An act to incorporate Jersey City approved March eighteenth, 1851," presented December 29, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration.

The draft was amended, and on motion of Alderman Nafew, again laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Decker and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant for two hundred dollars be drawn on the city treasurer, in favor of the Finance Committee, to pay bounty due George Smithers, Company E, Thirty-third regiment, N. J. V.

On motion of Alderman Kane, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, January 19, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Ege, and Gaddis.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 12th inst., were read and approved.

Alderman Cox being the only member of the Committee on Finance present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Terry was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Invitation from Engine Company No. 1, to attend the funeral of Samuel A. French, late a member of said company.

Laid upon the table until "miscellaneous business."

Communication from James F. Fielder, Charles Scott, John B. Haight and William A. Fisher, members of the board of fire commissioners, asking the common council to approve of the proposed amendment to the city charter changing the time of office of the chief engineer of the fire department to three years.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petitions of the officers and members of Engine Company No. 1, of members of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, of members of Engine Company No. 5, of members of Hose Company No. 2, and of the officers and members of Hose Company No. 3, to have the term of office of chief engineer of the fire department changed to three years.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of William Gopstill and others, exempt members of the fire department, to have the term of office of chief engineer of the fire department changed to three years.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Communication from Jeffrey W. Collins, foreman of Engine Co. No. 3, asking that the charges for which he was expelled from the fire department be investigated before the action of the fire commissioners be confirmed.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Amos J. Cummings to have paid to him the amount awarded to James Barnes for damages, by the Commissioners, in the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petitions of John Masterson and Michael Kelly for junk shop licenses.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of David Scott for an auctioneer's license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Catharine Halsted to be remunerated for taking care of a sick woman.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Catharine Halsted, for ten dollars, to compensate her for taking care of a sick woman in the month of November, 1863.

Petition of Policeman John Murphy to be allowed his pay as a policeman during his sickness.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for eighty-three dollars and fifty-four cents, in favor of policeman John Murphy, (who is confined to his bed by sickness,) being the full amount of his pay to February 1st, 1864.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct for the following named amounts

respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of W D Cory \$12 42; Cronham & Wetterson \$30 77 and \$7 33; D E Culver \$15; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company \$2,907 74; \$136 10, and \$67 98; J W Harrison \$11 65; and A G Mason \$52.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of J B Haight \$100; J V Hardenbergh \$100; S D Ellis \$3; Thomas Moran \$5; G W Cassidy \$166 68 and \$50; R D McClelland \$100; P D and Vroom \$50.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was presented from his honor the mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
Jersey City, Jan. 19, 1864. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

On the 16th inst., I was served with a bill filed in the Court of Chancery of this State, at the suit of Jonathan J. Durant, against the Mayor and Common Council, ordering them to show cause why an injunction should not issue restraining them from pulling down the buildings erected on lands owned by Elizabeth H. Durant, for the opening of Montgomery street, until further orders shall be had thereon.

Deeming it a matter which required immediate attention, I at once handed over the papers to the corporation attorney.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The communication was received and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Broking and adopted:

Resolved, That the acts heretofore had, in pursuance of the instructions of the Committee on Laws, in reference to the proceedings of Johnson J. Durant or Charles F. Durant, in the Court of Chancery, relative to the opening of Montgomery street be, and the same are, hereby approved; and that the city attorney be instructed to proceed with such measures as he may deem advisable to procure a dissolution of the order granted by his honor the chancellor, staying proceedings in said case.

A communication from S. C. McLaughlin, chief engineer of the fire department, announcing the death of Samuel A. French, ex chief engineer of the fire department, was presented, received and laid upon the table until miscellaneous business.

A communication from the corporation attorney was presented enclosing a draft of a proposed act for a sinking fund, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate Jersey City," approved March 12, 1851.

The communication was received and the draft laid upon the table, subsequently taken up, and on motion of Alderman McBride ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The resignation of John Ayres of the office of policeman was presented, received and accepted.

A communication from the comptroller, setting forth that he has examined the city treasurer's vouchers for May, June, July and August, 1863, and finds the same correct, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from the board of fire commissioners, asking the confirmation of their action in expelling from the fire department Jeffrey W. Collins, foreman of Engine Co. No. 3, for committing an unprovoked assault and battery on Charles H. Scott, of Hose Co. No. 3, while at a fire, Jan. 1st, 1864, was presented, received and referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

A communication from the Board of Fire Commissioners asking the confirmation of their action in expelling from the fire department Thomas McCarthy, of Engine Co. No. 3, for being insulting and abusive to the chief engineer, and also for committing an assault and battery on Charles H. Scott, of Hose Co. No. 3, while at a fire January 1st, 1864, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the fire department enclosing returns of the following elections in and resignations and expulsion from said department, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners.

Elections of Benjamin F. Britten, Philo L. Snow and W. A. Phillips by Engine Co. No. 1; John Corbely, by Engine Co. No. 2; Jacob Ringle by Engine Co. No. 4; Adrian W. Marinus and John E. Wright by Hose Co. No. 3; J. C. Lawrence, by Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

Resignations of W. H. Dixon from Engine Co. No. 1, and F. Stoveken, Jr., from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Expulsion of Frederick Newcomb from Hose Co. No. 3.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred on the 5th inst., to be assessed, the claim of D. W. Culver \$53 04, for work and materials at intersection of Pavonia avenue and Provost street &c, presented a report thereon setting forth that the claim is for extra work not included in the ordinance for the improvement of Provost street, and recommending that the action of the common council had January 5th, 1864, be rescinded, and the claim paid by warrant on the city treasurer.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred on the 12th inst. the petition of W H Rogers for permission to redeem a lot belonging to him, sold to the city treasurer for taxes of 1860, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to W H Rogers to redeem lot 164 Gilchrist street, in block 8 from the sale made September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860 to the city treasurer, provided the redemption be made in the same manner as though the time for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESSENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of P H Nugent \$24 03.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of John English \$28 46; J W Harrison \$16 25; Samuel Hetherington \$1 25; G & J C Laurence \$12 50; William Mitchell \$16.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Samuel Hetherington \$2 25; P H Nugent \$3 75.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of Colston & Downes \$32 40 and \$2 50.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of John Geraghty \$179 80; Samuel Hetherington \$10 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of William Coogan \$12.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of John Coar \$358 63; David Scott \$90 44.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Committee on Alms for seventy-five dollars to be appropriated to the purpose of paying six months' board and tuition of Mary Fullman in the deaf and dumb asylum at Carmansville, New York, and that said sum be taken from the license fund.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance presented December 29, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz: "An ordinance to provide for regulating, curbing, guttering and paving Washington street from North side of Morgan street to the north side of Bay st., and flagging the sidewalks on the east side thereof."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane McBride, Nafew Pangborn, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Ege, and Gaddis.

On motion of Alderman Cox the draft of an act entitled "An act to legalize loans made by the mayor and common council of Jersey City for purposes relating to the maintenance of the federal government and provide for the raising of further sums" was taken from the table for consideration.

The draft was considered, the blanks filled and, on motion of Alderman Earle, the city attorney was instructed to add a section making the bonds a basis for banking purposes.

On motion of Alderman Hankins, it was

Resolved, That the draft be approved, and when approved by his honor the mayor, the city clerk be requested to transmit certified copies to the senator from Hudson county, and members of assembly from Jersey city, with a request that they urge the immediate passage of the same by the legislature.

The vote on the motion being as follows, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Ege, and Gaddis.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance presented December 29, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for regulating, curbing and guttering North First street, from the easterly side of Prospect street to the westerly side of Meadow street, and flagging the sidewalks thereon four feet wide."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Ege and Gaddis.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated to the Board of Education, and that said sum be taken from the moneys received from licenses.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee consisting of Aldermen Cox, Hankins and Nafew, together with the city attorney, be instructed to visit Trenton when deemed advisable, and urge the passage of the supplements to the city charter through the legislature.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Cox and adopted:

Resolved, That the return from the Board of Water Commissioners of unpaid assessments for building culvert and basin at south-west corner of Grove and Montgomery streets, be taken from the table, and referred to the Committee on Finance, with power to advertise and sell according to law the property described therein.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Cox and adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution passed January 12, 1864, ordering a warrant drawn in favor of the Finance Committee for two hundred dollars to pay bounty to George Smithers, of Co. E., 33rd regiment, N. J. V., be rescinded for the reason that the Committee on Enlistments have paid said bounty since the passage of the resolution.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That seven hundred dollars be taken from the license fund and placed to the credit of the Committee on Streets as their appropriation is exhausted and will require that sum to make up the deficiency in consequence of the rise in the price of labor and materials for the repairing of streets, and also having paid two hundred dollars for opening Brunswick street under the railroad, which sum should have been paid from other sources.

On motion of Alderman Hawkins the draft of an act entitled "supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate Jersey City, approved March 18th, 1851," presented December 29, 1863, was taken from the table for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That the draft be approved, and when approved of by his honor the mayor, the city clerk be requested to transmit certified copies to the senator from Hudson county and members of assembly from Jersey City, with a request that they urge the immediate passage of the same by the legislature.

On motion of Alderman Hankins it was

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it will adjourn to meet in this chamber on Friday evening next, the 22d inst., at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of considering the act to create a sinking fund.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the communi-

cation from the chief engineer of the fire department and the invitation from Engine Co No 1 to attend the funeral of the late Samuel A French, presented this evening, were taken from the table.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Gafney and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it hath pleased God in His infinite wisdom to summon from this world to his home in heaven the spirit of Samuel A French, a useful citizen; an honest man, and one long connected in a laborious capacity with the municipal affairs of our city, and whose loss is irreparable, therefore be it

Resolved, That this board deeply condole with the wife thus suddenly afflicted, and the fatherless children of the deceased; and that we can only recommend them to look from their mourning weeds to the bright and blissful haven, where, freed from the troubles of earth, his spirit joins the glorious band of the redeemed, and be comforted by the reflection that their loss is his gain; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of the above resolutions be sent by the city clerk to the family of the deceased, and that this board attend his funeral in a body.

On motion of Alderman Edge it was

Resolved, That the marshal be requested to procure carriages and make all other necessary arrangements for the board to attend the funeral of the late Samuel A. French.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the common council chamber, Friday, January 22, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of considering the act creating a sinking fund.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Duff, Earle, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Kane and Terry.

Less than a quorum being present at twenty minutes of 9 o'clock P. M., on motion of Alderman Earle, the board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, January 26, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Ga'ney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Duff, Hankins, and Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 19th inst., and of the adjourned regular meeting of the 22d inst., were read and approved.

Alderman Drake obtained leave and retired.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Charles H. Voorhis for an assignment to him of declarations of sale of lots 14 and 15 South 8th street in block 149, sold to the city treasurer February 7, 1862 for water rents of 1860, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Alexander Wilson and others, owners of property sold for assessment for sewer in Wayne street, Newark and Railroad avenues, for a reduction of the interest on the assessment from fifteen to seven per cent, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Engine Company No. 4, for an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars to furnish their house anew, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Wm. Cummings and Son and others to have immediate steps taken to procure a Steam Fire Engine for Liberty Engine Company No. 1.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Ga'ney and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be requested to ascertain and report to this board at their earliest convenience, at what price they can procure a suitable steam fire engine.

Petition of Engine Company No. 4 for a steam fire engine.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Communication from the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, notifying the common council of the expiration of their contract for gas for street lamps.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz:

Of Commissioners of Appeals \$41; John Anness \$75; John Coar \$358 63; Colston & Downes \$32 40 and \$2 50; William Coogan \$12; R B Earle & Co \$36 77; John English \$28 46; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company \$55 88; John Geraghty \$179 80; J W Harrison \$16 25; Samuel Hetherington \$10 50, \$2 25 and \$1 25; G & J C Lawrence \$12 50; William Mitchell \$16; P H Nugent \$24 03 and \$3 75; A B Reynolds \$2 79; and David Scott \$45 23.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of Nathaniel Ellis \$83 33; J H Lyon \$200; C C Martindale \$58 33; S C McLaughlin \$125; T F Morris \$50; J D Nolan \$66 66; William Whitley \$53 33.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was presented from the collector of revenue enclosing a schedule of property assessed for sewer in Grand, Van Vorst and Essex

streets, and setting forth that the amounts named therein have been collected by him and paid into the city treasury.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 23d inst., of the ordinance passed on the 19th inst., providing for the improvement of Washington street from Morgan street to Bay street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 23d inst., of the ordinance passed on the 19th inst., providing for the improvement of North First street from Prospect street to Meadow street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk laid before the board the collector of revenue's return of list of delinquent tax payers for 1863, received by him from that officer on this 26th inst., and an affidavit of said officer of service of tax bills, &c., and the same were received, the affidavit ordered filed and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That the collector's list of names of delinquent tax payers, with the sums due from them respectively, thereunto annexed, be received and placed by the city clerk in the hands of a justice of the peace (to be selected by the common council, by ballot,) for the purpose of issuing a tax warrant thereon as provided by law, and that said justice of the peace is hereby instructed to make out such tax warrant without delay under the direction of the Committee on Finance, and place the same in the hands of John B. Haight, collector of revenue.

Whereupon, on motion of Alderman Gaddis, the board proceeded to the selection by ballot of a justice of the peace to issue the tax warrant.

Two ballotings were had as follows, no choice being effected:

Aldermen Ege and Decker were appointed and acted as tellers:

First balloting—

Samuel M. Chambers received five votes.

Ferdinand Lewis received three votes.

George E. Cutter received two votes.

Peter N. Horsley received three votes.

Second balloting—

Samuel M. Chambers received four votes.

Ferdinand Lewis received four votes.

George E. Cutter received two votes.

Peter N. Horsley received three votes.

On motion of Alderman Edge, further balloting was postponed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred this evening the petition of C. H. Voorhis for an assignment to him of declarations of sale, &c., presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city treasurer is hereby authorized to assign to Charles H. Voorhis declarations of sale of lots 14 and 15 South Eighth street, in block 149 V. V. Township map, assessed to W. D. Waddington and sold to the city treasurer, February 7, 1862, for water rents of 1860, on payment of the principal and interest due thereon.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, July 7, 1863, with power to advertise and sell according to law the property described therein, &c., the return to the collector of revenue of unpaid taxes of 1862, presented a report thereon setting forth that the said sale took place October 1, 1863, &c.,

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred February 3, 1863, with power to advertise and

sell according to law the property described therein, &c., the return of the board of water commissioners of unpaid assessment for building receiving basins and culverts on north and south sides of Steuben street, between Warren and Prospect streets, presented a report thereon setting forth that the said sale took place October 1, 1863, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Licenses to whom were referred, January 19, 1864, the petitions of John Masterson and Michael Kelly, for junk shop licenses, presented favorable reports thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No 363 South Seventh street, in the Sixth Ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to John Masterson, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No 294 Newark avenue, in the Fourth Ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city, to Michael Kelly, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Brooking, Decker, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Drake, Duff, Hankins, and Terry.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, Dec. 1, 1863, the petition of McGraw & Co., and others, for improvement of Greene street from Steuben st. to Harsimus st., &c., presented a favorable report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table and printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade and paving with Belgian paving Greene street from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street, and curbing and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of G. Ross Carey, \$4 51, and Taylor's Hotel, \$18 00.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments. Of Japhet Jardine, \$10 61, and Wm. Mitchell, \$7 18.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J. W. Harrison, \$9 15; Japhet Jardine, \$22 60 and \$5 07; and A. B. Reynolds, \$39 33.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of William Mitchell, \$6 63.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Japhet Jardine, \$2 44; W F Stooking, \$74 60; and I I Vanderbeek, \$12.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of J Schnitzen & Co, \$6.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Nafew it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to investigate and report to this board the facts and circumstances connected with the destruction of Fire Engine No. 1.

(Alderman Decker obtained leave and retired.)

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted—

Whereas the Ninth regiment New Jersey Volunteers has re-enlisted for three years; and, Whereas said regiment is expected to return home in a few days;

Resolved, That a proper reception be given to the Ninth New Jersey Volunteers upon their return from the seat of war, and that the Committee on Enlistments be instructed to make the necessary preparations, and that the citizens be invited to participate in such reception.

By Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the fines recently imposed by the recorder on Mrs. Bridget Connolly and her son for a violation of the city ordinance be remitted for the reason that she is a poor widow, wholly unable to pay such a sum, being obliged to seek day's work to enable her to support her family.

By Alderman Edge and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Marshall Ellis for thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents, to defray the expenses incurred attending the funeral of Samuel A French.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Nathaniel Ellis, city marshal, for three dollars to defray the expenses of the Special Committee on Monument in going to and from soldiers' burial ground in New York Bay Cemetery.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City treasurer in favor of A. A. Gaddis ten dollars; H N Ege, ten dollars; Thomas B. Decker, twenty five dollars and fifty-four cents; W. I. Hough, twenty-two dollars and fifty cents, to reimburse said parties for moneys expended in going to and from Trenton and Newark to pay bounties due to volunteers.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, February 2, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

In the absence of the president the board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

President Clarke was absent at the calling of the roll, and until nearly the close of the meeting, when he appeared, but did not take the chair.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Hankins, and Pangborn.

In the absence of the president, on motion of Alderman McBride, Alderman Gaddis was appointed president *pro tempore*.

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 26, 1864, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Charles Singer, for a restaurant license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of James Harper, for an additional junk shop license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of A. S. Jackson, to have a box sewer laid in the middle of mill creek and across the end of Wayne street, as an outlet for water running from a spring in the bank of the creek near the railroad bank.

On motion of Alderman Earle the petition was referred to the Committee on Streets with power.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of G Ross Cary \$4 51; J W Harrison \$9 15; Japhet Jardine \$22 60, \$5 07, and \$2 44; William Mitchell \$6 63; A B Reynolds \$39 33; J Schnitzen & Co \$6; W F Stocking \$74 60; Taylors Hotel \$18; and I I Vanderbeek \$12.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of F P Budden \$25; Nathaniel Ellis \$43 78; Mrs. C Lynch \$6; E Olcott, Jr. M D \$50; and Police Department \$1,984 78.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

The reports of the overseer of the poor and superintendent of the almshouse for the quarter ending January 31, 1864, were presented, received and ordered filed.

A communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancellation of sale of parts of lots 18 and 19, Monmouth street, in block 222, erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1860, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of "Application to have Provost street from North Third street to North Seventh street, including intersections, filled to the established grade, curbed, paved with Belgian or trap blocks, crosswalks laid, sidewalks flagged four feet wide, &c." The report was received and ordered filed.

A certificate of the comptroller of amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers and standing to the credit of the board of water commissioners, &c., was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the board of water commissioners for the sum of six thousand five hundred and forty dollars and fifty-four cents for amounts

collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers and standing to the credit of the board of water commissioners, as appears by the certificate of the comptroller presented this evening.

A communication was presented from the corporation attorney enclosing a copy of a bill now before the legislature for passage, entitled, "An act to extend the benefits of the poor house farm and the institutions thereon, in the county of Hudson, to all the townships and cities in said county, to authorize the establishment of a lunatic asylum on said farm, and to provide for the support of the institutions thereon and for their construction."

The communication was received and with the act referred to the Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department enclosing returns of the following election in, and expulsion from said department confirmed by the fire commissioners.

Election of Patrick Lee, by Hose Company No. 4, Expulsion of D. G. Christie from Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom was referred December 15, 1863, the communication from Engine Company No. 1, in reference to the destruction of their engine, and who were requested by resolution passed January 26, 1864, to ascertain and report the facts and circumstances connected therewith, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the claim of the corporation of Jersey City against the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, for the destruction of Fire Engine No. 1, be referred to the corporation attorney with instructions to propose to the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company a settlement of claim by arbitration, and if the proposition be accepted the corporation attorney be instructed to act on behalf of the mayor and common council of Jersey City in carrying the same into effect.

The report was received.

On motion of Alderman McBride the resolution was amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the claim of the corporation of Jersey City against the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company for the destruction of Fire Engine No. 1, be placed in the hands of the corporation attorney for collection.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom were referred January 12, 1864, the petition of D. S. Gregory and others to have Washington street made from South Seventh street to Pavonia avenue, &c., and the report of the corporation attorney thereon, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this common council respectfully recommends the passage of an act by the legislature whereby the streets in Harsimus cove in Jersey City, running north and south between South Seventh street and Pavonia avenue and east of Provost street shall, when filled and improved, be made in a straight line with Hudson, Greene, Washington and Warren streets, as said last named streets are now laid out, and that the streets now laid out upon Clerk & Bacot's map east of Provost street and between South Seventh street and Pavonia avenue, be vacated.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of Drayton & Durant, \$176 51; Matthew Erwin, \$105 70; Joseph Fye, \$30; and Hugh Reilly, \$33 91.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J. W. Harrison, \$17 and \$7 85; and Woolsey & Terry, \$1 02.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of W. C. Curren, \$106 75.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Woolsey & Terry, \$6 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Woolsey & Terry, \$14 31.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Ege, the board proceeded to the selection by ballot of a justice of the peace to issue the tax warrant for 1863.

Three ballotings were had which resulted as follows :

Aldermen Decker and Ege were appointed and acted as tellers :

First balloting—

Ferdinand Lewis received six votes.

Samuel M. Chambers received six votes.

Peter N. Horsley received one vote.

One blank was cast.

Second balloting—The same tellers acted.

Ferdinand Lewis received seven votes.

Samuel M. Chambers received seven votes.

Third balloting—Aldermen Earle and Terry acted as tellers.

Ferdinand Lewis received eight votes.

Samuel M. Chambers received six votes.

Whereupon, Ferdinand Lewis having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared selected the justice of the peace to issue the tax warrant under the resolution passed January 26, 1864.

On motion of Alderman Edge the board proceeded to the appointment of four policemen to fill the vacancies in the police department.

On motion of Alderman Edge, the rule requiring ballotings was, by unanimous consent, suspended to enable the board to make the appointments *viva voce*.

Whereupon, on motion of Alderman Earle, the following named persons were *viva voce* unanimously appointed policemen.

Lewis Shaffer in place of Philo L. Snow resigned.

William Devine in place of Daniel McNamara resigned.

Samuel Ramsey in place of John Ayres resigned.

John Maxwell in place of John Murphy deceased.

On motion of Alderman Gafney, the board proceeded to the appointment of a member of the board of commissioners of assessments to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Samuel A. French.

On motion of Alderman Gafney, the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous consent, suspended, and on motion of the same Alderman, John H. Lyon was *viva voce* unanimously appointed a member of the board of commissioners of assessments to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Samuel A. French.

Alderman Hough presented a draft of a proposed legislative act entitled, "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Jersey City,' approved March eighteenth eighteen hundred and 'fifty-one'."

On motion of Alderman Nafew, its consideration was ordered to be postponed for one week, and it was ordered to be published in each of the Jersey City newspapers.

President Clarke appeared and took a seat amongst the members of the board.

(Alderman Edge obtained leave and retired.)

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted :

Resolved, That Friday, February 26, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M., and the committee room in the City Hall, are hereby appointed as the time and place when and where the Committee on Streets of this common council will meet for the purpose of hearing, on the merits of the same, all parties interested in the application presented to the common council, December 15, 1863, of A. S. Jarvis and others, to have Provost street, from North Third street to North Seventh street, filled in to the established grade, curbed and paved with Belgian or trap blocks, and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide, cross-walks laid, &c., and that the city clerk is hereby directed to publish in the corporation paper, for the length of time required by law, notice of the presentation of said application and of the appointment of the above named time and place for a hearing.

On motion of Alderman Kane the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, February 9th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Earle, and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 2nd inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of H. J. Baker and Brother and others, for the construction of a pier, dock or wharf, at the foot of either Steuben, Morgan or Bay streets, &c.

Referred to Committee on Ferries and Wharves.

Petition of H. J. Creede, for permission to redeem her property from sales made to the city treasurer for taxes, &c., and for a reduction of the interest accrued thereon, the time for redemption having expired.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of William Drayton for a license as a public porter.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of J. G. Berrian for an inn and tavern license.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of James Towers for damages in the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of W C Curren \$106 75; Drayton & Durant \$176 51; Matthew Erwin \$105 70; J W Harrison \$17 and \$7 85; Japhet Jardine \$10 61; William Mitchell \$7 18; Joseph Pye \$30; Hugh Reilly \$33 91, and Woolsey & Terry \$14 31, \$6 50, and \$1 02.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATION.

The report of the recorder for the quarter ending January 31, 1864, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 2d inst., the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting the cancelment of sale of parts of lots 18 and 19 Monmouth street, in block 222, erroneously returned and sold for water rents, &c., presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved. That the sale made to the city treasurer February 7, 1862, for water rents of 1860, of parts of lots 18 and 19 Monmouth street, in block 222, V. V. Township Map, assessed to James Harper, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, for the reason that the water rents due thereon were erroneously returned as unpaid by the board of Water Commissioners; and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Messrs. I. B., J. W., D. W. and D. E. Culver, assignees of the city treasurer, for the purchase money paid by them, with interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from the date of said sale, and be delivered to them on their surrendering to the city clerk for cancellation the declaration of sale of said parts of lots.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water to whom was referred January 26, 1864, the petition of Engine Company No. 5, for an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars to furnish their house, &c., presented an adverse report thereon.

The report was received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Nafew and adopted :

Resolved, That two hundred and fifty dollars of the license money be appropriated to purchase furniture for engine house No. 5.

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred February 2, 1864, the petition of Charles Singer, for a restaurant license, presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That a license be granted to Charles Singer to keep a restaurant at No. 7 Grand street, in the first ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Ege and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Earle, and Pangborn.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Of J. W. Harrison, \$18 30 and \$5 70; Peter Lynch, \$3 36; and Mitchell & Flannelly, \$7.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of John Longstaff, \$85 67.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Of John Dermody, \$35; and Thomas Doherty, \$50.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of Michael Killeen, \$16 25; Patrick Maden, \$11 62; John Ryan, \$5 81, and Patrick Tormey, \$10 50.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman McBride stated that John H. Lyon, appointed at the last meeting of the board, a member of the board of commissioners of assessments is not eligible; he not being the owner of real estate in the First or Second wards of Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the rule requiring a balloting was, by unanimous vote, suspended to enable the board to appoint a member of the board of commissioners of assessments in the place of Samuel A. French, deceased.

Whereupon, on motion of the same alderman, Alexander H. Wallis was *viva voce* unanimously appointed such member of said board.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gafney and adopted :

Resolved, That the action of this board on the 1st October last, whereby the claim of Cox and Derry amounting to \$55 18, was ordered paid be rescinded, and the claim be filed in the city clerk's office, the same having been previously paid by the Special Committee on Celebration of the Fourth of July.

Alderman Gaddis moved

"That the board proceed to the consideration of the proposed supplement to the city charter presented at the last regular meeting of the board"

The motion was lost.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council chamber, Tuesday, February 16th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gaifney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Kane, Nafew, and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 9th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Petition of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, for an investigation of the charges against George McLeod, expelled from said company, before confirming action of fire commissioners.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Patrick Weldon for the remission of a fine imposed on him by the recorder for violating a city ordinance.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of Louis Heller and others to have Montgomery street from the south side of Newark avenue to the north side of Gregory street, including intersections, filled to the established grade, side-walks flagged the full width, curbed, and roadway paved with Belgian pavement.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of John Dermody \$35; Thomas Deberry \$50; Michael Killeen \$16 25; John Longstaff \$85 67; Patrick Maden \$11 62; John Ryan \$5 31; and Patrick Tarmey \$10 50.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz:

Of J H Lyon \$400 42; James McManus \$17, \$13, and \$12 15; Catharine Rafferty \$3; and Thurstha Smith \$6.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from his honor the mayor, announcing the suspension from pay only of Policeman Maxwell, on charges preferred against him by Aid Daley, was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Police.

A communication from the board of water commissioners, enclosing the annual report of said board for the year ending June 30, 1863, and accompanying documents, was presented, received, and the report and documents were referred to the Board of Water Commissioners to be printed in pamphlet form, and directing that after being printed they be delivered to the city clerk and filed in his office.

The following communication was presented from the board of Water Commissioners:

OFFICE OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS, }
CITY HALL, JERSEY CITY, }
February 16, 1864. }

To the Honorable, the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, water commissioners of Jersey City, would respectfully show unto your honorable body, that the gentlemen composing the board of which they are now members, as well as the present board, have been engaged for some time past in remedying the defective construction of the works under their charge, as well as carrying into effect very important improvements relative thereto, which they have deemed essential to the security of the people of

our city, and places adjacent, in the matter of a permanent supply of water.

They would further show unto your honorable body that by the 12th section of the act by which they are incorporated, it is provided that their books shall be open to the examination of any person or persons appointed for that purpose by your honorable body.

In pursuance of said section they would, in view of the premises, invite your honorable body to make such appointment, to the end that your honorable body may make such investigations, in addition to the reports heretofore submitted, as you may see fit.

Yours respectfully,

GEO. McLAUGHLIN,
N. D. TAYLOR,
WM. CLARKE.

The communication was received, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Terry and adopted:

Be it Resolved, That the communication from the water commissioners, relative to an examination of their books and improvements, be referred to the Committee on Finance, and that said committee be requested to make such examination, and report the result thereof to this board.

A communication from the board of water commissioners, requesting the cancelment of sale of lot 2, in block X, erroneously returned and sold for water rents of 1860, and an advertisement of lot 8, in block X, for said water rents, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A communication was presented from the Board of Fire Commissioners setting forth that the room in the station house set apart for their use, has been taken by the Committee on Police for the use of the police department, and asking the common council to provide a room suitable for their meetings.

The communication was received and on motion of Alderman Edge, referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings with power.

A communication from the Trustees of the Firemen's Fund Association, asking the common council to furnish a room suitable for their meetings, the one heretofore used by them having been applied to the use of the police department, was presented, received and on motion of Alderman Edge referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings with power.

A communication was presented from the corporation attorney submitting the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for the security of the public in the safe and convenient use of the streets and sidewalks, and to regulate the speed and running of locomotive engines and railroad cars in Jersey City."

The communication was received, and the ordinance laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The following requisition was presented from the board of education:

To the Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at their rooms on Monday evening, February 1, 1864, it was resolved, by the votes of all the members present, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims:

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P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.
Jersey City, Feb. 15, 1864.

The requisition was received and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition received this evening from the board of education and for the amounts respectively named.

A return from the chief engineer of the fire department of the resignation of George McLeod from Hook & Ladder Company No. 2, confirmed by the board of fire commissioners, was presented, received and referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, enclosing returns of the following elections in, and resignations from said department, confirmed by the fire commissioners:

Elections of Peter Lynch by Engine Company No. 2; John A. Knoeller by Engine Company No. 3; Thomas E. Wakefield and James Kafters by Engine Company No. 4; N H De Nyse by Engine Company No. 5; Peter Stilsing and Ray A Thompson by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2; and Henry E Farrier by Hose Company No. 3.

Resignations of James S Bradley from Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; and Thomas Pointing from Engine Company No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Alms presented a report setting forth that they have placed Mary Fullman in the deaf and dumb asylum of New York, and enclosing a receipt for seventy-five dollars for six months board and tuition of said Mary Fullman.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred, February 9, 1864, the petition of H. J. Creede, for permission to redeem her property, sold to the city treasurer more than two years ago, for water rents and assessments, and for a reduction of interest accrued thereon, &c., presented a report adverse to granting so much of said petition as prays for a remission of interest, &c., and recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to H. J. Creede to redeem lot 109, Morgan street, from the sales made March 28, 1861, for water rents of 1859, and November 23, 1861, for Morgan street assessment; and also, to redeem lot 100, Steuben street, from the sales made February 7, 1862, for Wayne street, Newark and Railroad avenue sewer assessment and October 1, 1862, for Steuben street assessment all sold to the city treasurer, provided the redemption be made in the same manner and upon the same terms as though the time for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Lamps, to whom was referred, January 19, 1864, the notice from the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company of the expiration of their contract for gas for street lamps, presented a report thereon accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps be instructed to have prepared by the corporation attorney, and to report to this board at its next meeting, contracts with the Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company for lighting the streets of Jersey City with gas, at the rate of two dollars and thirty cents per thousand feet.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom were referred January 12, and 19 1864, the petitions of Ephraim Houghtaling and Amos J. Cummings, for damages in the opening of Montgomery street, presented reports thereon setting forth that the

matters therein embraced have been arranged to the satisfaction of the parties.

The reports were received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred January 12, 1864, the petition of Charles Cowper, for extra compensation for damages in the opening of Montgomery street, presented an adverse report thereon, the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That this board having no power, at the present time to review the action of the commissioners of assessments for the opening of Montgomery street, the prayer of the petition of Charles Cowper be denied.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred January 12, 1864, the claim of J W Roosevelt for rent of public pound in the fifth ward, presented a report recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of J W Roosevelt for one hundred dollars in payment of his claim presented January 12, 1864, for rent of public pound in the fifth ward for the year ending January 1, 1864.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of R B Kashow \$3 12; S C McLaughlin \$44 66; and Ward & McGown \$93 96.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J W Harrison \$11 20; and John McGnigan \$6 50.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of R B Kashow \$8; and Mynard Sharp \$9 40.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of R B Kashow \$155 71, \$10 84, and \$2 68.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Edward Caulfield \$9 52.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Coar, \$358 63 and John Eagan \$20.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be, and are hereby authorized to erect such barrier as in their judgment will protect the public from accidents in passing the cellars of C. F. Durant's buildings now in an exposed condition until such time as the street is filled to grade.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hankins and adopted:

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be requested to prepare and forward to Trenton for passage by the legislature such supplement or amendment to the charter or any of the acts relating to Jersey City, now pending in said body as will provide for the appointment of surveyors of the highways (whenever such officers are deemed necessary) by the common council instead of their election by the people as at the present time is the law; such election being entirely useless, as out of the twelve elected scarcely one ever qualifies, and the office so far as Jersey City is concerned being merely nominal and having no duties whatever attached to it; this change being desirable for the purpose of lightening the onerous and laborious duties of the officers of elections and board of city canvassers, who are required by law to canvass the votes cast for the surveyors of highways and include them in all the official statements and returns.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Drake and adopted:

Resolved, That the officers of the Horse Railroad Companies in Jersey City are hereby requested to establish stringent rules prohibiting the passengers on their roads from standing or riding on the platforms of their cars with the drivers thereof upon any pretext whatever, such prohibition being deemed by the corporate authorities of Jersey City absolutely necessary to guard against accidents and loss of life.

On motion of Alderman Edge it was Resolved, That the resolution passed February 9, 1864, appropriating two hundred and fifty dollars of the license money for furniture for engine house No. 5, be rescinded.

Alderman Hough moved

That the proposed legislative act presented on the 2d instant, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to incorporate Jersey City,' approved March 18, 1851," be taken from the table for consideration.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Cox and Hough:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, McBride and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Drake, Duff, Gafney and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the act was amended by substituting for it a new one, bearing the same title.

The act was further amended.

During the consideration of the act Alderman Drake moved

"That the board do adjourn."

The motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Hough and Terry:

Yeas—Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Gafney and Hankins.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, McBride and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Kane, Nafew and Pangborn.

Alderman Earle moved to amend the act by striking out sections 3d, 4th and 6th.

The motion was lost.

Alderman Gaddis moved

"That the act as amended be approved and its passage by the legislature be recommended."

The motion was lost by the following vote the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Gaddis, Cox, and Earle.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Gaddis, Hough, and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, and McBride.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, Kane, Nafew, and Pangborn.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Cox:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to negotiate loans to the city for the amount of monies borrowed for bounty purposes for the term of from ten to thirty years at the rate of seven per cent. per annum.

Alderman Earle moved

"That the resolution be laid upon the table."

The motion was lost.

On motion of Alderman Cox the consideration of the resolution was ordered to be postponed for one week.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Hankins:

Whereas, There have been several decisions concerning the shore front north of South Seventh street, and the impression prevails that the State owns the water front, therefore be it

Resolved, That the corporation attorney lay the decisions before this common council at its next regular meeting, and be it further

Resolved, That the corporation attorney be requested to prepare the necessary papers asking the Legislature to cede all their rights that they have to the water front north of South Seventh street within the corporate limits of Jersey City to the mayor and common council for the benefit of Jersey City, and lay the same before the common council at its next regular meeting.

Alderman Gaddis moved

"That the consideration of the preamble and resolutions be postponed for one week."

The motion was lost.

The preamble and resolutions were then adopted.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, February 23d, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 16th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz :

Petition of Emanuel Cohen by N. C. Slaight, attorney for an assignment of declarations of sale of lots belonging to him sold to the city treasurer more than two years ago for water rents and assessments.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of the Erie Railway Company and Long Dock Company asking the approval of the common council of an act submitted by said parties entitled a supplement to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate Jersey City, approved March 18, 1851."

The petition and act were laid upon the table until "miscellaneous business."

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts presented and referred to committees at former meetings of the board were reported correct and ordered paid, viz :

Of John Coar, \$353 63; John Egan, \$20; J W Harrison, \$11 20; R B Kashow, \$155 71, \$10 84, \$3 12 and \$2 68; John McGuigan, \$6 50; S C McLaughlin, \$44 66; and Ward & McGown, \$93 96.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of William Whitley, \$58 33; Ferdinand Lewis, \$143 68; J V Hardenbergh, \$100; R D McClelland, \$100; C C Martindale, \$58 33; J B Haight, \$100; J D Nolan, \$66 66; G W Cassidy, \$166 66 and \$50; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; and P D Vroom, \$50.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was presented from the corporation attorney, in answer to resolution passed February 16, 1864, enclosing decisions in reference to ownership of shore front, and a request to the legislature for the passage of an act whereby is ceded the rights in the same to the common council, for the benefit of Jersey City.

The communication was received, and with the accompanying petition and act laid upon the table on motion of Alderman Hankins.

A communication was presented from the Corporation attorney, submitting sundry amendments to the city charter entitled "supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate Jersey City, approved March 18, 1851."

The communication was received, the act considered, and on motion of Alderman Gaddis it was

Resolved, That the amendments to the city charter presented this evening entitled "supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate Jersey City," approved March 18, 1851," be approved and the city clerk be requested to send certified copies of the same to the legislature with a request and recommendation for their passage.

The city clerk laid before the board a copy of a notice served upon him, on the 18th inst., by J. Weart, Esq., attorney, of application to the supreme court for the appointment of three commissioners to review the assessment of damages lately

made in favor of Elizabeth H. Durant for the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

The notice was referred to the corporation attorney.

The petition of Louis Heller and others for the improvement of Montgomery street from Newark avenue to Gregory street, &c., referred to the corporation attorney, on the 16th inst., was reported back by said officer as "not approved" there being no established grade.

The report was received and the petition ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The Mariners' Savings Institution of the City of New York, are the holders of City Bond No. 153, dated December 16, 1859, issued to Hunt & Armstrong, for nine hundred dollars, at six per cent. interest, due December 16, 1874; and

Whereas, Said institution are desirous of exchanging the same for a coupon bond, and on the 19th day of February, 1864, paid to the city treasurer the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of making up the amount for which a coupon bond can be issued; therefore,

Resolved, That on the requisition of the Committee on Finance the mayor and city clerk are hereby requested to issue to the Mariners' Savings Institution of the City of New York, a coupon bond for one thousand dollars, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, said bond to bear even date with the approval of these resolutions and drawn payable January 1, 1875; and the comptroller is hereby authorized and requested to draw his requisition on the treasurer for the interest due on said bond No. 153, to the date of the coupon bond hereby authorized to be issued.

Resolved, That said bond be delivered to said institution on their filing with the comptroller City Bond No. 153, now held by them, and on their filing with the city clerk the treasurer's receipt for the sum of one hundred dollars.

The report was received.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the sale made to the city treasurer September 6, 1861, for taxes of 1860, of lot 28 South Eighth street, in block 172, V. V. township map, assessed to Estate of Jesse Schofield, be cancelled of record by the city clerk, for the reason that the block number should be 197—an error having been made in advertising said lot for sale—and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of D. W., I. B., J. W. and D. E. Culver, assignees of the city treasurer, for the purchase money (\$13.14), with interest thereon at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from the date of sale, and be delivered to them on their surrendering to the city clerk, for cancelling, the declaration of sale of said lot.

Resolved, That the collector of revenue is hereby instructed to collect the taxes of 1860, due on lot 28 South Eighth street, in block 197 Schofield's map, assessed to estate of Jesse Schofield.

The report was received and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred January 26, 1864, the petition of Alexander Wilson and others, owners of property sold for

Wayne street, Newark and Railroad avenues sewer assessment for a reduction of interest on said assessment, presented a report thereon, adverse to granting the prayer of the petitioners, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow in anticipation of taxes the sum of ten thousand dollars, and that the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute under the corporate seal of the city upon requisition of said committee, city bonds for said amount at the rate of six per cent. interest per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nawef, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the bonds number one hundred and ninety-eight for the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, one hundred and ninety-nine for the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and number two hundred for fifteen thousand dollars, which said bonds become due and payable February twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, be renewed for a period of Sixty days at the rate of six per cent. interest per annum, and for that purpose the mayor and city clerk are requested to execute said bonds under the corporate seal of the city.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nawef, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

Alderman Terry, from the Committee on Lamps, presented contracts with the Jersey City and Hoboken Gaslight Company for lighting the streets of the city with gas, and offered the following resolution in relation thereto:

Resolved, That when the accompanying contracts shall have been executed on the part of the gas company, that the mayor and city clerk be authorized to execute the same on the part of the city.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented a favorable report on the application referred to them on the 9th inst., of J. G. Berrian, for an inn and tavern license, the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That a license be granted to John G. Berrian to keep an inn and tavern at Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Grand street, in the First ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nawef, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Ege.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The Committee on Licenses presented favorable reports on the license applications heretofore referred to them, the following resolutions accompanying the reports:

Resolved, That a license as a public porter be

issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to William Drayton, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That a license to keep and run an additional junkshop wagon be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to James Harper, junkshop keeper, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

Resolved, That an auctioneer's license be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to David Scott, on his paying the license fees and giving the bond required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The reports were received.

The resolutions were severally adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nawef, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting a map of proposed grade on Montgomery street, from Newark avenue to Gregory street, and an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to establish a grade on Montgomery street, from the south side of Newark avenue to the north side of Gregory street."

The report was received, the map ordered filed in the city clerk's office, and the ordinance laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting three sealed proposals received by them in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to improve South Eighth street, &c., the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read and found to be from Keeney & Halladay, Daniel W. Culver, and James Ford.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the three proposals, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve South Eighth street, from Brunswick street to the westerly boundary of the city, be referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

A claim of John Geraghty, \$139 80, for coal and wood for city hall, was presented and referred to the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman McBride it was

Resolved, That the matter of the location of gate posts about to be erected at the crossing of the railroad at Warren street be referred to the Committee on Streets with power.

On motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of William Mitchell for seven dollars for replacing lights of glass destroyed by firing salute on Washington's birth day.

On motion of Alderman Hough the petition presented this evening by the Erie Railway Company and Long Dock Company, and the act submitted therewith, supplementary to the charter of Jersey City, were taken from the table.

On motion of Alderman Gafney the petition was ordered filed and the board proceeded to the consideration of the act.

Alderman Pangborn moved to amend section 3d by inserting after the words "that it shall not be lawful" the words "for the term of twenty years from the passage of this act."

The motion was lost. Subsequently on motion of Alderman Hough the vote was reconsidered and the amendment adopted.

Alderman Gafney moved to amend the first section by inserting that the improvements named therein shall be made within two years.

The motion was lost.

Alderman Earle moved to amend by inserting the following as a new section.

"And be it enacted, That there shall be paid into the city treasury for the use of the city of Jersey City, annually, during the period in which the said parts of streets, the dedication of which is temporarily suspended by this act shall continue by the owners of the said railroad tracks the sum of ——— dollars."

The motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Drake, Nafew and Earle.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Gafney, Hankins and McBride

Nays—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Ege Gaddis, Hough, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry

Absent—Alderman Edge.

Alderman McBride moved—

"That the act be laid on the table for one week."

The motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken, on the call of Aldermen Ege, Gaddis and Nafew :

Yeas—Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Gafney, Hankins and McBride.

Nays—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

The second section of the act was amended by striking out the words "sixty feet," as the width of carriage-way, and inserting in their place the words "seventy feet."

On motion of Alderman Earle, the third section was amended by striking out the words "are vacated," and inserting in their place the words

"unimproved streets named in this section are located."

Alderman Hough moved

That the act, as amended, be approved, and the city clerk be instructed to send certified copies of the same to the Legislature, with a recommendation and request for its passage.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, Pangborn and Hough :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, Kane, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Gafney, Hankins and McBride.

Absent—Alderman Edge.

Resolutions were presented, received and disposed of as follows :

By Alderman Gaddis and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to procure a coupon bond book for the use of the city.

By Alderman Hankins and adopted.

Whereas, This board has learned that the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company has made application to the legislature now in session for an act to extend their charter, and

Whereas, By reason of the many serious accidents which have been caused by said Company's road within the limits of this city, and by reason of certain exemption from taxes and vested rights claimed by said company under their present charter, and whereas, it is the duty of this board as conservators of the public interest to guard and protect the people's rights, therefore

Resolved, That this board do earnestly protest against any extension of the company's charter unless so much of their present grant be repealed which exempts portions of their property from taxation, and which permits them to run their steam engines within the limits of the city.

Resolved, That copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution be signed by the mayor under the corporate seal of the city attested by the city clerk, and transmitted to the Senator and each of the representatives from this county.

By Alderman Terry

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be instructed to have the gates of Van Vorst Square repaired.

On motion of Alderman Ege the resolution was amended by adding "and kept closed until the first day of May next."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, March 1st, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Alderman Hankins was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Alderman Decker.

The minutes of the regular meeting of February 23d, 1864, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of a Committee of the Soldiers Relief Fund Association and a Committee of the Turnverein Association for permission to use the council chamber on the 17th inst. for the purpose of giving an exhibition, consisting of gymnastic exercises, &c., by the last named society, for the benefit of the Soldiers' Relief Fund, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Petition of John Post and others in reference to the construction of gates at the railroad crossing in Warren street, accompanied by a table showing the number of trains which pass said crossing, &c.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Notice from C. F. Durant and others, named in objection No. 92, in the matter of opening of Montgomery street.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

Petition of William Howeth for permission to do so much of the improvement of South Eighth street, &c., as will lay in front of his lots, 7 and 8, in block 5 or 430, &c.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Edward Hope, Jr., and others, to have the south side of Railroad avenue, between Warren street and Prospect street, filled to the established grade, the road-way paved with cobble stones, gutters laid, curb set and sidewalk flagged full width.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz.:

Of Edward Canfield, \$9 32; John Geraghty, \$139 80; R B Kashow, \$8; A B Reynolds, \$3 90, and Mynard Sharp, \$9.40.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$37 82; Mrs C Lynch, \$12; police department, \$1,850 54, and Mrs P Roarke, \$6 00.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication was presented from His Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, March 1, 1864. }

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—It having been found that the expectations of those deeply interested in the well being of the families of the noble men who have volunteered to aid in the suppression of the rebellion have been fully realized by the delivery of lectures for the benefit of the Relief Fund of Jersey City, it has suggested itself to my mind that a

continuance of the same might result advantageously to a cause so commendatory and humane.

To effect this purpose I would respectfully suggest to your Honorable Body the propriety of inviting His Excellency, Joel Parker, Governor of New Jersey, to deliver a lecture to the people of Jersey City, in aid of the fund heretofore referred to, at such early period as his Excellency may deem advisable.

His distinguished attainments and eminence as a public speaker would, in case of his acceptance, it is believed, result in great good to a cause in which the people of our city take such decided interest.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The communication was received, and the following resolutions in relation thereto were offered by Alderman Cox and adopted:

Resolved, That this Board heartily concur in the suggestion of his Honor the Mayor that an invitation be extended to his Excellency the Governor to address the people of Jersey City in aid of the fund for the relief of soldiers' families.

Resolved, That his Excellency, Joel Parker, Governor of New Jersey, be invited to deliver a public lecture, in Jersey City, in aid of the above mentioned fund, at such period as may be by him designated, and that his Honor the Mayor be requested to urge his acceptance of this invitation.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consist of one alderman from each ward, whose duty it shall be, in case of the acceptance of his Excellency of the invitation in the foregoing resolutions named, to make the necessary arrangements and signify the same to the people of our city through the public press, and in such other manner as the distinguished services of the Governor of the State would demand.

Aldermen Cox, Decker, Gafney, Ege, Pangborn and Broking were appointed the Committee, and, on motion, of Alderman Gaddis, his Honor the Mayor and President Clarke were added to the committee.

The following communication was presented from his Honor the mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, March 1, 1864. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

For the information of your Honorable Body, I herewith furnish you with a memorandum of the amount of Jersey City water loan bonds, signed by me, as Mayor, from May, 1862, to March 1st, 1864, with the respective dates on which they were so executed, in accordance with resolutions passed by the Board of Water Commissioners, requesting such official action, viz:

May 24, 1862, 100 bonds.....	\$100,000
Sept. 20, 1862, 50 bonds.....	50,000
Nov. 8, 1862, 50 bonds.....	50,000
Aug. 3, 1863, 50 bonds.....	50,000
Oct. 31, 1863, 50 bonds.....	50,000
Feb. 6, 1864, 50 bonds. ...	50,000

Total\$350,000

These bonds were issued by the Water Commissioners in payment for the construction of a 36-inch main from the Belleville to the Bergen reservoir, together with the erection of a new engine. A detailed account of the above expenditure will be found in their report recently presented to your Honorable Body.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A communication was presented from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing a letter received by him from Henry Barrows, Jr., announcing the death of his father, Henry Barrow, at San Francisco, Califor-

nia, December 9, 1863, formerly a member of the Common Council of Jersey City.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The report of the City Treasurer for the month of February, 1864, showing a balance in the treasury, March 1st, 1864, of \$1,206 64, was presented, received and ordered filed.

A claim of Daniel W. Culver, \$3,295 03, for work and materials furnished in the improvement of Provost street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, referred to the Committee on Assessments, to be assessed January 5, 1864, and by said committee handed to the Board of Commissioners of Assessments, was returned by said Board as incorrect, &c.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the action of the Common Council, in referring the contractors bill to the Commissioners of Assessments for the improvement of Provost street, be rescinded, and that the bill be referred back to the Committee on Streets.

The City Clerk presented a report of publication of notice of application for improvement of Provost street, from North Third street to North Seventh street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the fire department enclosing returns of the following elections in, and resignation from said department, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners:

Elections of Delos E. Culver by Engine Co. No. 2; Peter Lynch by Engine Co. No. 3.

Resignation of James M. Clark from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred February 23, 1864, the petition of Emanuel Cohen, for an assignment of declarations of sale of lots belonging to him, sold to the city treasurer more than two years ago, &c., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to Emanuel Cohen, to redeem lot 6, in block 137 city map, from the sales made to the city treasurer, July 28, 1857, for water rents of 1856, and February 7, 1862, for unpaid assessment, provided the redemption be made in the same manner and upon the same terms as though the time for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred February 16, 1864, the communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancelment of sale of lot 2, in block X, for water rents of 1860, and an advertisement and sale of lot 3, in block X, for said water rents, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That in compliance with a request of the board of Water Commissioners contained in their communication of February 16, 1864, the sale of lot 2, Grove street, in block 147 or X, assessed to Sarah McCarty, made to the city treasurer, February 7, 1862, for water rents of 1860, be cancelled of record by the city clerk for the reason that the same were paid at the office of the board of water commissioners November 28, 1860, and returned to the common council in error; and that the common council deem it unnecessary to direct the advertisement and sale by itself of lot 3 Grove street, in block X, at this time, but refer back the same to the board of water commissioners with a suggestion that they direct their officers to

endeavor to collect the water rents due on said lot and if unsuccessful that they retain the same in their hands to be presented with their next return of arrearages.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution passed February 23, 1864, authorizing the Committee on Finance to borrow ten thousand dollars in anticipation of taxes at six per cent. per annum is hereby rescinded.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be discharged from the consideration of the subject of an examination of the books and improvements of the water commissioners (said committee desiring to be so discharged), and that a special committee of three be appointed for the purpose of making such examination of the books, papers, acts and doings of the board of water commissioners in pursuance of the request contained in their communication presented to the common council February 16, 1864.

The resolution was adopted and Aldermen Pangborne, Kane, and Ege were appointed the committee.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance are hereby authorized to borrow in anticipation of taxes the sum of ten thousand dollars, and that the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute under the corporate seal of the city upon requisition of said committee, city bonds for said amount at the rate of seven per cent. interest per annum.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred, January 19, 1864, the communication of the Board of Fire Commissioners, requesting confirmation of their action in expelling J. W. Collins, of Engine Company, No. 3, from the fire department, presented a report thereon, recommending that the communication be referred back to the Fire Commissioners for re-examination and further consideration.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred, January 19, 1864, the petition of J. W. Collins for an investigation of the charges for which he was expelled from the fire department, presented a report thereon, recommending that the petition be referred to the Board of Fire Commissioners for their consideration.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred, January 19, 1864, the communication from Board of Fire Commissioners, requesting confirmation of their action in expelling Thomas McCarty, of Engine Company No. 3, presented a report thereon, recommending that the action of the commissioners be approved and confirmed.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, February 9, 1864, the petition of James Towers

to be awarded damages in the opening of Montgomery street, &c., presented an adverse report thereon.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, August 18, 1863, the petition of Hugh Roundtree and the petition of Owen Cassidy and Hugh Roundtree for permission to do so much of the improvement of South Eighth street, at their own expense, as is required to be made opposite their own lots, &c., presented reports thereon, setting forth that they have given permission asked for by said parties to the satisfaction of the committee, the superintendent of the work and the surveyor. The reports were received and the action of the committee approved and confirmed.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Taylors' Hotel, \$289.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments. Of Drayton & Durant, \$176 89; Matthew Erwin, \$103 47; Estate of S A French, \$57 88; A B Reynolds, 93 cents, and Hugh Reilly, \$50 85.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of A P Rikeman, \$4 70.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of J W Harrison, \$18 30 and \$5 70; Hughes & Piaget, \$5 70; Mitchell & Flannely, \$7 50; A B Reynolds, \$19 80 and B F Woolsey, \$12 32.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of W C Curren, \$106 95, and J F Richardson, \$40 75.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Davison & Ward, \$21 75.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of James McLaughlin, \$42 89.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of Wm Coleman, \$24.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of D E Culver, \$25, and F J Mallory \$30.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Whereas, This common council has learned with deep regret the death of Thomas Callahan, for many years a faithful, honest and reliable police officer of this city; therefore

Resolved, That in view of the long continued and satisfactory services of Policeman Callahan, a warrant be drawn in favor of Mrs. Callahan, for the sum of fifty dollars, towards the funeral expenses of the deceased.

On motion of Alderman McBride, the following entitled ordinance presented February 23, 1864, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to establish a grade on Montgomery street, from the south side of Newark ave., to the north side of Gregory street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance presented January 26, 1864, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling in to the established grade, and paving with Belgian paving, Green street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street, and curbing and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote,

the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Decker, and Hankins.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Nafew and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk be instructed to purchase and send to the Senator from Hudson county and the Assemblymen from Jersey City for presentation to the Senate and House of Assembly for their use, two framed copies of Bacot's map of Jersey City, the corporate authorities of this city deeming the same likely to prove useful for the purposes of reference and examination.

(Alderman Hankins appeared and took his seat)

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Terry:

Whereas, By ordinance passed in May 1861, an addition was built to the almshouse with sufficient space for the slushing of hose used by the fire department, and

Whereas, The said hose were slushed and repaired at the said alms house by the inmates thereof during the remainder of that year after the building was completed to the satisfaction of all concerned, and whereas, since that year the work of slushing and repairing has been done in New York at a heavy cost to the city, and whereas, a resolution was passed by this common council instructing the Committee on Fire and Water to have the slushing and repairing of the hose done at the almshouse, but the Committee on Fire and Water still refuse to have that work done at the almshouse as instructed, therefore be it

Resolved, That the said Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to report to this board at the next regular meeting the reason why they have disobeyed the instructions of the common council and acted in this defiant manner.

Alderman Nafew moved: "that the preamble and resolution be laid upon the table."

The motion was lost.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the resolution was amended by striking out the words "and acted in this defiant manner."

[Alderman Drake obtained leave and retired.]

The preamble and resolution, as amended, were adopted.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman McBride:

Whereas, The ordinance for the improvement of South Eighth street, from Brunswick street to the western city limits, having become a law; and, whereas, there seems to be a wide difference of opinion as to the proper location of South Eighth street at its intersection with Brunswick street; therefore,

Resolved, That this Common Council cause an investigation to be made into the facts of the case, by survey or otherwise, in order, if possible, to overcome the necessity of having a curve in the street at that point, this being the proper time, before the street is improved.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the resolution was amended by inserting, after the words "investigation to be made," the words "under the direction of the Committee on Streets."

The preamble and resolution, as amended, were adopted.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the resolution presented February 16, 1864, authorizing the Committee on Finance to negotiate loans to the city for the term of from ten to thirty years, of amount of moneys borrowed for county purposes, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, was taken from the table for consideration.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, the resolution

was amended so as to read six instead of seven per cent. and as amended was adopted.

The resolution as passed being as follows :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to negotiate loans to the city for the amount of moneys borrowed for bounty purposes, for the term of from ten to thirty years, at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

The following entitled ordinance was presented

by Alderman Nafew, laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz :

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled 'an ordinance for the better regulation of the Fire Department of Jersey City.'"

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, March 8th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake and Kane.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 1st instant, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of Thomas E. Tilden, recruiting agent, setting forth that he has been sued for bounty money by Orlando K. Guireu, and asking that the city attorney be instructed to defend the suit, &c.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the petition was referred to the corporation attorney with power.

Petition of Gustav G. Jaeger and others to have South Fourth street, from Coles street to Newark avenue, regulated, paved, cross walks laid at intersections four feet wide.

Referred to the Corporation Attorney.

Petition of Hercules McGuirk for permission to fill to the required grade that portion of South Eighth street fronting on his property, &c.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively, and said amounts were ordered paid, viz.:

Of D E Culver, \$25; W C Curren, \$106 75; Drayton & Durant, \$176 89; Matthew Erwin, \$103 47; Estate of S A French, \$57 86; J W Harrison, 18 30 and \$5 70; Hughes & Piaget, \$5 70; F J Mallory \$30; James McLaughlin, \$42 89; Mitchell & Flannely, \$7 50; Hugh Reilly, \$50 85; A B Reynolds, \$19 80 and 93 cents; J F Richardson, \$40 75; and B F Woolsey, \$12 32.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

The corporation attorney to whom was referred March 1, 1864, the petition of Edward Hope, Jr. and others for the improvement of the south side of Railroad avenue from Warren street to Prospect street, reported back said petition as incorrectly drawn.

The report was received and with the petition ordered filed.

The petition of William Howeth, for permission to improve that portion of South 8th street fronting on his property, &c., referred to the corporation attorney March 1, 1864, was reported back by said officer with the endorsement "that the application can be lawfully granted."

The report was received and the petition referred to the Committee on Streets.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 4th inst., of the ordinance passed March 1, 1864, providing for the improvement of Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, by paving with Belgian paving, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 4th inst., of the ordinance passed on the 1st inst., establishing a grade on Montgomery street, from the south side of Newark avenue to the north side of Gregory street.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The following requisition was presented from the board of education:

To the Honorable Common Council of Jersey City:

At the regular meeting of the board of education held last evening, it was ordered

That requisition be made upon the common council for the sum of one hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eighty-nine cents for the payment of bills as follows, viz:

James McLaughlin	\$79 80
Smith Mead	6 47
S. Hetherington	7 00
J. Jardine	5 20
Robert Donshea	16 15
J. Anness	53 17

\$167 89

Very respectfully,
THOMAS EARLE,
Secretary pro tem.

Jersey City, March 8, 1864.

The requisition was received, and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisition received this evening from the board of education and for the amounts respectively named.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Alms reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, In consequence of the high price of every article of provision, the committee fund is exhausted, and

Whereas, The Committee on Alms were cut down one thousand dollars less than the former committee, therefore be it

Resolved, That one thousand dollars be placed to the Alms Committee credit, and the same be taken from the license fund.

The preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred on the 1st inst. the communication from his honor the mayor in reference to amount of water bonds signed by him, reported back the same with a recommendation that it be filed in the city clerk's office.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That on the requisition of the Committee on finance of this common council, two hundred and sixty-five coupon bonds of the mayor and common council of Jersey City, New Jersey, of the sum of one thousand dollars each, and numbered from one to two hundred and sixty-five inclusive, be issued under the corporate seal of the said city to bearer, or to the order of the party or parties named in such requisition, and for a period of twenty years; the said bonds to be dated April first, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-four, and the principal of said bonds payable on the first day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-four, and drawn payable with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum; the coupons to be made payable semi-annually on the first days of October and April in each year, at the Hudson County Bank in Jersey City, or at the Merchants' Exchange Bank in the city of New York, at the option of the holder, in accordance with the advertisement of the said committee on Finance; that the mayor and city clerk of Jersey City are hereby authorized and requested to sign said bonds and affix thereto the corporate seal of the city of Jersey City, the comptroller to countersign the same, and the treasurer to sign the coupons thereunto attached.

The said bonds to be issued in payment of loans to pay bounties to volunteers, and under authority of an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, approved the nineteenth day of February, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act to legalize loans made by the mayor and common council of Jersey City, for purposes relat-

ing to the maintenance of the federal government and provide for raising of the further sums."

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, and Kane.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the preamble and resolutions passed February 23, 1864, authorizing the issuing of a coupon bond to the Mariners' Saving Institution of the city of New York, in exchange for City Bond No. 153, held by them, be rescinded.

The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolutions :

Whereas, Isaac T. Smith, of the city of New York, is the holder of city bond No. 153, dated December 16, 1859, issued to Hunt & Armstrong for nine hundred dollars, at six per cent interest, due December 16, 1874 ; and whereas said Isaac T. Smith desires to exchange said bond for a coupon bond, and on the 19th day of February, 1864, paid to the city treasurer the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of making up the amount for which a coupon bond can be issued, therefore

Resolved, That on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, the mayor and city clerk are hereby requested to issue to Isaac T. Smith, of the city of New York, a coupon bond for one thousand dollars, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, said bond to bear even date with the approval of these resolutions, and drawn payable January 1, 1875 ; and the comptroller is hereby authorized and requested to draw his requisition on the treasurer for the interest due on said bond No. 153, to the date of the coupon bond hereby authorized to be issued.

Resolved, That said bond be delivered to said Isaac T. Smith, on his filing with the comptroller city bond No. 153, now held by him, and on his filing with the city clerk the treasurer's receipt for the sum of one hundred dollars.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, and Kane.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom were referred, February 16, 1864, the return from the chief engineer of the fire department of the resignation of George McLeod from Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, confirmed by the fire commissioners, and a communication from said company in reference to the action of the fire commissioners in that case, presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution :

Resolved, That the communication of the chief engineer of the fire department, announcing the resignation of George McLeod from Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, and the petition of said company asking that the action of the board of fire commissioners in the case of George McLeod, expelled from said company, be not confirmed, presented to the common council February 16, 1864, be referred to the board of fire commissioners with a request that they send the case of Mr. McLeod back to Amerious Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, with instructions to give him a hearing and trial on the charges preferred against him in said company.

The report was received.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the resolution was amended so as to read as follows :

Resolved, That the papers in reference to the case of George McLeod, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, be referred to the board of fire commissioners with a request that they report to the common council the return from said company in its original form, with a report thereon by said board of fire commissioners.

The resolution as amended was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, Hough, and Earle :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Pangborn, and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Edge, Gafney, and Nafew.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, and Kane.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred August 4, 1863, the petition of Hose Company No. 4, asking the common council to purchase from them their hose carriage, the same being the property of the company, presented a report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase of Passaic Hose Company No. 4, for the sum of four hundred dollars, their hose carriage, said company to be allowed the use of the said carriage as heretofore during the pleasure of the common council, and that on the filing in the comptroller's office of a bill of sale of said hose carriage and the certifying of the said filing to the city clerk, a warrant for said amount be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of said hose company in full payment for their carriage ; and that to meet said payment the sum of four hundred dollars be appropriated out of the license moneys received during the year ending May 1, 1864.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Hankins the resolution was laid upon the table.

[Aldermen Hough and Gaddis obtained leave and retired.]

The Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to whom was referred on the 1st inst. the petition of the German Turnverein Association for the use of the common council chamber for the purpose of giving an exhibition of gymnastics, &c., for the benefit of the Soldiers' Relief fund, presented an adverse report thereon.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred December 22, 1863, the petition of A. S. Jarvis and others, for the improvement of Provost street, from North Third st. to North Seventh st., by paving with Belgian pavement, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, the report recommending that the ordinance be laid upon the table and printed on slips for the use of the board, viz :

"An ordinance to provide for filling to the established grade, curbing, paving with Belgian paving Provost street, from a point distant south from the south side of North Third street sixteen feet to the north side of North Seventh street, including intersections, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

Alderman McBride, chairman of the Committee on Streets, presented the following entitled ordinance, and the same was received, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz :

"An ordinance to repeal an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance for the improvement of Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street.'"

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

Of Ward and McGown \$219 88, and \$215 30.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of J. W. Harrison \$13; and John Perrine \$18 02.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of B. F. Snow \$72 32.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 1st inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz :

"A supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance for the better regulation of the fire department of Jersey City."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Gaddis, Hough, and Kane.

Resolutions were presented, received, and disposed of as follows :

By Alderman Pangborn and adopted :

Resolved, That the Special Committee on the investigation of the books of the water commissioners be and are hereby authorized to employ an assistant, should they find it necessary, at an expense not exceeding the sum of twenty-five dollars.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be authorized to have the upper room in the City Hall fitted up and finished at an expense not to exceed six hundred dollars, and that the amount of the said expenditure be taken from the license fund.

By Alderman Edge :

Whereas, The policemen of Jersey City are prohibited by law from conveying prisoners out of the limits of Jersey City, and it is necessary that some arrangement be at once made whereby said prisoners for whom commitments are made by the recorder should be so conveyed, therefore

Resolved, That the Committee on Police be requested to obtain the services of a constable for the purposes aforesaid, at such reasonable compensation as they may deem advisable.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the preamble and resolution were laid upon the table.

On motion of Alderman Earle the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, March 15th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 8th instant, were read and approved.

Alderman Cox being the only member of the Committee on Finance present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Terry was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Invitation to review St. Patrick's and St. Peter's Temperance Societies and Hibernia Benevolent Society, as they draw up in line in front of the City Hall on St. Patrick's Day, the 17th inst., at half past one o'clock P. M.

Received and accepted.

Petition of Samuel Meek for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John Lynch for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue, in the Second ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Edward Hope, Jr, and others for the passage of an ordinance fixing the width of the sidewalk on the south side of Railroad avenue, between Warren and Prospect streets, at nine feet wide.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of William Coleman \$24; Davison & Ward \$21 75; J W Harrison \$13; John Perrine \$18 02; A P Rikeman \$4 70; Taylor's Hotel \$289; Ward & McGown \$219 88, and \$215 30.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Mrs. Julia Good \$6; J H Lyon \$218 30, and Mrs. Catherine Rafferty \$6.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

The city clerk laid before the board the following communication from his honor the mayor filed in the city clerk's office on the 15th inst., and the same was read, received and ordered to be entered at large on the journal of proceedings of the common council:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
JERSEY CITY, March 15, 1864. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have examined an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for the better regulation of the Fire Department of Jersey City," passed by your honorable body, on the 8th inst., and which has been submitted to me for my approval.

It substantially provides that the inspectors of election who shall be selected by the several Engine, Hose and Hook and Ladder Companies shall, before entering upon the discharge of their duties, take the oath set forth in said supplement before one or more of the board of Fire Commissioners.

The act of the legislature under which the power is given to the Fire Commissioners to administer oaths is contained in the 13th section of an act for the better regulation of the Firemen of

the city of Jersey City, approved March 16, 1857, which reads as follows:

"That the said commissioners or a majority of said commissioners may administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses appearing before them, and may require such witnesses to testify in respect to any matters pending before the commissioners."

The term witnesses used in this section, refers to the matters specially enumerated in the act, viz: as to complaints against members of the Fire Department.

It cannot be pretended that the said inspectors of election are in any sense witnesses, or that they appear to testify in respect to any matter pending before the said commissioners.

There are three fatal objections to the ordinance:

First. That the act of March 16, 1857, authorizes the commissioners or a majority of them, to administer oaths, whilst the ordinance empowers one or more of them so to do. The legislature were at the time of the passage of the act, constituting a board of commissioners, and intended that not less than a majority of them should exercise so high and important a duty.

Second. There is no power contained in any act of the legislature authorizing your honorable body to legislate in reference to the subject embraced in the supplement. The act is a special act relative to the fire department, speaks the will of the legislature and its will alone, and can in no wise be construed as a delegation of the exercise of powers not enumerated in the charter and its supplements.

Third. The act is specific in its character as to the oaths which the commissioners or a majority of them may administer. It refers specially to the oaths administered to witnesses in order to make them testify in respect to any matters pending before them, which are the complaints heretofore mentioned.

The maxim of the law upon this subject is that the affirmation of one thing is the exclusion of all others. The legislature in prescribing as to what particular matters the oath might be administered, excluded the commissioners from its exercise in all others. The oaths would be void for want of power in the officers, false swearing under such circumstances could not constitute the offence of perjury, and the whole proceeding would be an idle formula, not legally binding on the affiant.

It may be appropriate to state that I understand an act has been submitted to the legislature by which the difficulties in this case may be obviated, but until the power is delegated action on the part of your honorable body would be futile.

For these reasons I return the ordinance without my approval for your further consideration.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

On motion of Alderman Terry the objections were ordered to lie upon the table until "miscellaneous business."

A communication was presented from his honor the mayor enclosing a complaint of Christian Huss against Policeman William Devine, and recommending a reference of the matter to the Committee on Police for investigation.

The communication was received and with the complaint referred to the Committee on Police.

A report of Joseph Van Doren, a gauger and Inspector of domestic liquors for the quarter ending February 1st, 1864, was received, presented and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the corporation attorney enclosing a proposition from A. O. Zabriskie, Esq., in behalf of the New Jersey Railroad Company, to add to their first proposition of two hundred and fifty dollars for their share of the damages to Engine No. 1, a contribution of twelve hundred and fifty dollars

towards purchasing a steam engine, making the whole amount to be paid by the company, fifteen hundred dollars.

The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

The petition of Gustav G. Jaeger and others for improvement of South Fourth street from Coles street to Newark avenue, referred to the corporation attorney March 8, 1864, was reported back by said officer as not correctly drawn, &c.

The report was received and with the petition ordered filed.

A communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancelment of sale of part of lot 123 Grand street, block 63, made March 15, 1860, for Grand, Essex and Van Vorst street sewer assessment was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Communications were presented from the chief engineer of the fire department, enclosing returns of the following elections in said department, confirmed by the fire commissioners.

Elections of Patrick Mulry and Michael J. Clark by Engine Company No. 3; Charles E. Baker by Hose Company No. 3; and K. Skinner Tilden by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

The communications were received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting one sealed proposal received by them in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to improve North First street from Prospect street to Meadow street, &c., the report recommending that the proposal be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposal was opened, read, and found to be from Keeney and Halladay.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the proposal of Keeney and Halladay, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve North First street, from the easterly side of Prospect street to the westerly side of Meadow street be referred to the Committee on Streets with authority to enter into a contract with the said bidders, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred March 8, 1864, the petition of Hercules McGuirk, for permission to improve that part of South Eighth street fronting on his property presented a report thereon recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred March 8, 1864, the petition of William Howeth, for permission to improve that part of South Eighth street fronting on his property, presented a report thereon recommending that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred back March 1, 1864, the claim of D. W. Culver, \$3,295 03, for work and material furnished in the im-

provement of Provost st. from Pavonia ave. to North Second st., presented a report thereon setting forth that the claim is correct for \$2,987 only; and recommending that the claim be referred to the board of commissioners of assessments to be assessed.

The report and its recommendation were adopted.

The Committee on Streets reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the claim ordered paid January 19, 1864, of Delos E. Culver, for fifteen dollars for making profile, estimates and specifications for the improvement of Provost street, from Pavonia avenue to North Second street, be taken from the files in the city clerk's office and referred to the board of commissioners of assessments with a request that they assess the same.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

Of H. A. Green, \$3.
Referred to Committee on Finance.
Of Joseph Champion, \$60; and J. W. Harrison \$18 05.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.
Of R. D. McClelland, \$176 11.
Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.
Of C. Van Brunt, \$6; and Patrick Warren, \$10.
Referred to Committee on Police.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Terry, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"An ordinance relative to the appointment, duties and responsibilities of the Pound Master in Jersey City."

On motion of Alderman Nafew the following resolution reported by the Committee on Fire and Water, on the petition referred to them August 4, 1863, of Hose Company No. 4, for the purchase of their hose carriage, the same being the property of the company, was taken from the table for consideration:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase of Passaic Hose Company No. 4, for the sum of four hundred dollars, their hose carriage, said company to be allowed the use of the said carriage as heretofore during the pleasure of the common council, and that on the filing in the comptroller's office of a bill of sale of said hose carriage and the certifying of the said filing to the city clerk, a warrant for said amount be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of said hose company in full payment for their carriage; and that to meet said payment the sum of four hundred dollars be appropriated out of the license moneys received during the year ending May 1, 1864.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Terry, Ege and Nafew:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Duff, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane and Nafew.

Nays—Aldermen Cox, Earle, Ege, McBride and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 8th inst, was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to repeal an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance for the improvement of Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street.'"

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 8th inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance to provide for filling to the established grade, curbing, paving with Belgian paving Provost street, from a point distant south from the south side of North Third street sixteen feet to the north side of North Seventh street, including intersections, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins, and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Terry the objections of his honor the mayor to the approval of the ordinance

passed March 1, 1884, supplementary to an ordinance for the better regulation of the fire department of Jersey City were taken from the table for consideration.

Alderman Terry moved

"That the ordinance do now pass notwithstanding the objections of his honor the mayor."

The motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—None.

Nays—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, Gaddis, Hankins, and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Kane, it was

Resolved, That the city clerk be requested to notify the mayor and members of the common council to meet at the City Hall on Thursday, the 17th inst., at half past one o'clock P. M., for the purpose of reviewing the civic societies in accordance with their invitation received this evening.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the City Clerk's Office, Saturday, March 19, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

In the absence of the President the board was called to order by the city clerk.

Present—Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

President Clarke was absent at the calling of the roll and until nearly the close of the meeting, when he appeared, but did not take the chair.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake and Hankins.

In the absence of the president, on motion of Alderman Cox, Alderman Gaddis was appointed president pro tempore.

The call of the meeting was read by the city clerk, and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, March 18, 1864. }

GEO. W. CASSEDY, Esq., City Clerk:

Dear Sir—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the common council, to be held at the office of the city clerk to-morrow evening, March 19, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of considering the late proclamation of the President for 200,000 volunteers, and taking such action thereon as the necessities of the case may require.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The city clerk verbally reported that notices of this special meeting were sent by him on the 18th inst., to all the members of the board.

The following communication from his honor the mayor was presented, received and ordered filed:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, March 19, 1864. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

The President of the United States has by a recent proclamation called for two hundred thousand volunteers, which, it is believed, are additional to former demands.

The bounties heretofore paid by the government will cease on the 1st of April next, for which reason it is exceedingly desirable that should action be meditated by your honorable body, such proceedings may be at once had as to ensure a successful result.

The large amount heretofore appropriated for bounty purposes by your honorable body would appear to demand that the tax payers of our city should be consulted in reference to a subject so deeply affecting their interests; and to this subject I would respectfully call the attention of your

honorable body in connection with the purpose for which you are convened this evening.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. B. ROMAR,
Mayor.

The following resolutions were offered by Alderman Ege:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow one hundred and ten thousand dollars for a period of sixty days, at a rate of interest not to exceed seven per cent per annum, to be appropriated to payment of a bounty of three hundred and fifty dollars to every volunteer who may be enlisted and credited to the quota of Jersey City, under the recent call of the President of the United States for two hundred thousand men; and that on the requisition of said committee a bond or bonds of the city be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to the party or parties who may loan said monies, and for the period, and at the rate of interest above named.

Resolved, That the present Committee on Enlistments be continued with full power to take whatever steps they deem necessary to promptly raise the number of men who will be required to fill the quota from Jersey City.

President Clarke appeared and took a seat amongst the members of the board.

Alderman Earle moved to amend the resolution by striking out seven and inserting six as the rate of interest to be paid for money borrowed.

The motion was lost by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Earle, Nafew and Pangborn:

Yeas—Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Kane, and McBride.

Nay—President Clarke and Alderman Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, and Hankins.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Decker, Drake, and Hankins.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, March 22d, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafaw, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Gaddis and Hankins.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 15th instant, and of the special meeting of the 19th inst., were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of W. O. Davy for permission to redeem a lot belonging to him sold more than two years ago to the city treasurer, the time for redemption having expired.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of John O'Connor for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 146 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Martin Ward for compensation for his services as a policeman during disturbance at the Monitor yard in May last.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Communication from William Pearsall and others, complaining of the condition of Van Vorst square, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Petition of John McKinstry for permission to fill to the established grade that part of Montgomery street fronting on his property.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of H A Greene, \$3; and J W Harrison, \$18 05.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of J V Hardenbergh, \$100; J B Haight, \$100; R D McClelland, \$100; J D Nolan, \$66 66; C C Martindale, \$58 33; George W Cassidy, 166 66 and \$50; P D Vroom, \$50; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 33; W M Bassett, \$30, \$18 and \$3; Patrick Erwin, \$5; and William Whitley, \$58 33.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from his honor the mayor enclosing correspondence between himself and his excellency Governor Parker, in relation to his delivery of a lecture in Jersey City in aid of the soldier's relief fund was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Hough, was with the correspondence ordered to be published in each of the newspapers of Jersey City.

Said communication and correspondence being as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, March 22, 1864. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

I have the honor of transmitting you a copy of my letter to His Excellency Governor Parker, inviting him to deliver a lecture to the citizens of Jersey City, in aid of the families of volunteers, in accordance with the resolution passed by your honorable body on the 1st inst., and also the reply of his excellency accepting the invitation. On account of the pressure of business consequent from the session of the legislature, the governor cannot

now designate the date of such delivery, but will do so in time to make the necessary arrangements.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
JERSEY CITY, March 4, 1864. }

His Excellency, Governor Parker:

DEAR SIR:—I herewith append a communication to, and resolutions passed by our common council on the 1st inst., extending to your excellency an invitation to deliver a lecture in Jersey City at such time as you may designate, in aid of the fund for the relief of the families of volunteers and requesting me to urge your acceptance of the same.

The position you occupy as Chief Executive of New Jersey together with your eminence as a public speaker will, in the event of your acceptance, not only be highly gratifying to our citizens, but will greatly replenish the above named fund, thereby cheering the hearts of those who have nobly gone forth to battle for our country by relieving the wants of their families at home. An early reply is solicited, which I trust will be favorable.

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, }
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
TRENTON, March 15, 1864. }

HON. J. B. ROMAR, Mayor, &c.:

Dear Sir—Your letter containing a copy of the proceedings of the common council, inviting me to deliver a lecture to the people of Jersey City, in aid of the fund for the relief of soldiers' families, has been received. I am glad to know that the attention of the authorities has been turned in that direction, and to learn that so much has already been done in your city for the wives and children of those who are serving in our armies.

New Jersey soldiers have sent home a very large part of their pay, and this, together with the amount received monthly from the State, yields a comfortable support, when the wife and children have employment. There are, however, many cases when the wife is delicate, or has the care of young children, and in such instances the families, in this day of high prices, must need assistance. Sometimes months elapse without the receipt of any amount from the general or State government, on account of the absence of the soldier from his regiment in hospital, or by reason of his being reported as a deserter. Innocent men are frequently delayed for a long time in procuring a trial, and during that time they are deprived of all pay.—This has caused much suffering among the families of volunteers. It is a great evil, and should be remedied. Something should be done for these families. We should not wait for them to make known their necessities, for many a soldier's wife will in silence endure great privation. In each of our cities or towns either the corporate authorities or associations organized for that purpose, should adopt means not only to furnish relief, but to visit every soldier's family and ascertain who are needy and deserving.

I am anxious to contribute towards the object contemplated by your common council, and therefore cheerfully accept the invitation. In consequence of the pressure of business connected with the legislature, I cannot now designate the evening, but will hereafter notify you some days in advance of the time that shall be selected.

Presenting thanks to the council for the flattering

ing terms in which the invitation is extended, and accept for yourself the assurance of my regard.

Very respectfully,
Your ob't servant,
JOEL PARKER.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 18th inst. of the ordinance passed March 15, 1864, providing for the improvement of Provost street from North Third street to North Seventh street by paving with Belgian pavement, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval by his honor the mayor on the 18th inst., of the ordinance passed March 15, 1864, repealing an ordinance providing for the improvement of Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Peter D. Vroom for fourteen thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fourteen cents, State tax, and twenty thousand six hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventy-nine cents county tax of 1863, paid by him as city treasurer to E. W. Kingsland, county collector.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred this evening the petition of W. O. Davey, for permission to redeem a lot belonging to him, sold to the city treasurer more than two years ago, presented a favorable report thereon recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to William O. Davey to redeem lot 257, assessment map, in Grand street, in block D, from the sale made to the city treasurer November 23, 1861, for assessment for opening of Jersey street, the time for redemption having expired; provided the redemption be made in the same manner and upon the same terms as though the time for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred March 15, 1864, the communication from the board of water commissioners requesting the cancelment of sale made March 15, 1860, of part 123 Grand street in block 68, for a sewer assessment, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That in compliance with the request of the board of water commissioners contained in their communication received March 15, 1864, the sale made March 15, 1860, to Benjamin O. Edge, for assessment for Grand, Essex and Van Vorst street sewer, of part 123 Grand street, in block 68, be cancelled of record by the city clerk; and that a warrant be drawn on the treasurer in favor of the purchaser, Benjamin O. Edge, for the purchase money at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum from the date of said sale, and be delivered to him on his surrendering to the city clerk for cancelling the declaration of sale of said lot; and that the comptroller be instructed to charge the water commissioners with the amount of said warrant less the cost of advertising and costs of sale.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance and the city treasurer be instructed to destroy the certificates of value, issued by the corporation of Jersey City, and which have been redeemed by that

officer, and when the same shall have been so destroyed, that said committee be required to report the fact to this board.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution :

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Isaac Edge for twenty six dollars, Thomas Gafney for thirty seven dollars, Henry F. Cox for twenty seven dollars, and John Van Vorst for twenty seven dollars, to refund the moneys expended by them in visiting the army on the business of enlisting volunteers to fill the quota of Jersey City.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom were referred on the 15th inst., the communication from the corporation attorney and the communication of A. O. Zabriskie, Esq., on behalf of the N. Jersey Railroad Company, on the subject of the purchase of a steam fire engine, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to make a contract with William H. Van Ness to build a steam fire engine for the corporation of Jersey City, for an amount not to exceed the sum of thirty five hundred and seventy-five dollars, and to be built in accordance with his proposal reported of this meeting by the Committee on Fire and Water; provided that the parties who have submitted proposals to contribute the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars towards the payment for said steam fire engine shall execute agreements to pay the amount thereof, and the said William H. Van Ness shall buy for two hundred dollars the machine now in possession of Engine Company No. 1, and agree to receive in part payment a city bond for eight hundred and seventy-five dollars, payable in one year from its date, with interest at seven per cent.; and it is hereby ordered that said steam fire engine, when completed, shall be placed in charge of Liberty Fire Engine Company No. 1.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Nafew the resolution was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Licenses presented a favorable report on the application referred to them October 6, 1863, of James Geary for a restaurant license, the following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That a license be granted to James Geary to keep a restaurant at No. 120 North Fourth street, in the Fifth ward of Jersey City.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken :

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Ege.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Gaddis and Hankins.

The Committee on Licenses presented a favorable report on the application referred to them on the 15th inst. of John Lynch for a junk shop license, the following resolution accompanying the report :

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 11 Railroad avenue, in the Second ward of Jersey City, be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city, to John Lynch, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following

vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Gad-dis, and Hankins.

The Committee on Licenses presented a favorable report on the application referred to them March 15, 1864, of Samuel Meek, for a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, the following resolution accompanying the report:

Resolved, That a license to peddle meat, fish, fruit and vegetables be issued by the mayor and city clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, to Samuel Meek, on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred October 13, 1863, the proposals of D. E. Culver, D. W. Culver, and Keeney & Halladay, for contract for improvement of Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., presented a report thereon setting forth that they awarded the contract to Keeney and Halladay, they being the lowest of said bidders, and that contracts have been executed and the work is now in progress.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred on the 15th inst. the petition of Edward Hope, Jr., and others, for the passage of an ordinance fixing the width of the sidewalk on the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren and Prospect streets, presented a report thereon, submitting the following entitled ordinance, viz:

"An ordinance establishing the width of sidewalk on the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street."

The report was received and the ordinance laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of Ward & McGown, \$212.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of William Coleman \$6; J W Harrison \$20 40;

A M C Smith \$483; and Jacob Soney \$7 15.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Colston & Downes \$32 70; and Davison & Co. \$10 50.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationary.

Of John Geraghty \$52 85.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of John Dermody \$25 50.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of John Coar \$358 63.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

(Alderman Cox obtained leave and retired.)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion of Alderman Terry the following entitled ordinance, presented on the 15th inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance relative to the appointment, duties and responsibilities of the Pound Master in Jersey City."

The ordinance was amended, and on motion of Alderman Kane its further consideration was postponed for one week.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Decker and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Peter D. Vroom, Esq., for the sum of one hundred and fifty four dollars and one cent, to re-imburse him for the following bills, paid by him for advertising for the soldiers' bounty loan:

The Evening Post, New York.....	\$47 25
The Journal of Commerce, New York.....	32 76
The Times, New York.....	66 00
The New York Abend Zeitung.....	8 00

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Edge and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of Marshal Ellis for three dollars and fifty-four cents, to pay for crape used by the police at the funeral of Officer Murphy.

[Alderman Nafew obtained leave and retired.]

On motion of Alderman Ege, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be requested to confer with the Morris Canal Company in reference to the condition of Canal street.

On motion of Alderman Ege the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, March 29th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Kane and Pangborn.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 22d inst., were read and approved.

Alderman Hough being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Nafew was appointed.

Alderman Gaddis being the only member of the Committee on Finance present, requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Earle was appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of P. H. Daly to have cancelled of record sales made for taxes of 1859 and 1861, of part of lot 28 Mercer street, in block 71, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of William Finlan to be remunerated for damages done to the stoop of his house No. 226 Railroad avenue by a fire engine on the evening of March 24, 1864, &c.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Petition of Alexander McDonald and others, licensed junk dealers in Jersey City, for certain amendments to the ordinance passed May 26, 1863, regulating junk licenses, &c.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Patrick Dixon and others to have North First street, between Meadow street and Prospect street, paved with Belgian pavement.

Referred to Corporation Attorney.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of John Oar \$358 63; William Coleman \$8; Colston & Downes \$32 70; William Davison & Co. \$10 50; John Dermody \$25 50; John Geraghty \$52 85; J. W. Harrison \$20 40; R. D. McClintock \$176 11; A. M. C. Smith \$483; Jacob Soney \$7 15; and Ward & McGown \$212.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Earle presented the report, map and schedule of the board of commissioners of assessments for the regulation of Provost street from Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Second street, including intersections, &c., and the same were received, ordered filed, and the following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to give notice in the "American Standard," a newspaper published in this city, for at least ten days, that the report, map and schedule of the board of commissioners of assessments for the regulation of Provost street from Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Second street, including intersections, sand, grading, paving, bridging, curb and gutter and flagging, &c., are on file in the city clerk's office, in the City Hall, on the corner of Newark avenue and Washington place, and that the common council will meet at the common council chamber in said City Hall, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of April next, at 8 o'clock P. M., to receive and consider all objections thereto which may be presented in writing.

A report of Michael McKone, a gauger and in-

spector of domestic liquors, for the quarter ending March 24, 1864, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

A communication was presented from the board of fire commissioners, setting forth that pursuant to the request of the common council, they have reexamined and considered the case of Jeffrey W. Collins, of Engine Company No. 3, and by a unanimous vote have passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That Jeffrey Collins, of Hercules Engine Company No. 3, be and is hereby suspended from the fire department for twelve months, for committing an unprovoked assault and battery on Charles Scott, of Hose Company No. 3, while he, Charles Scott, was performing his duty as a fireman at the fire on January 1st, 1864, at Van Sickle's oil factory, and we respectfully ask your honorable body to confirm our action in this case.

The communication was received and the action of the commissioners of the fire department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, City bonds Nos. 198, 199 and 200, amounting to seventy thousand dollars, issued for bounty purposes, at six per cent. interest, fell due February 28, 1864, and inasmuch, by request of the Committee on Finance, said bonds were not presented for payment at that time, but were withheld on condition that the holders should receive seven per cent. interest thereon from the time they fell due; and, whereas, the comptroller drew his requisition on the treasurer by request of said committee for the amount of said bonds with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date aforesaid, February 28, 1864. Therefore,

Resolved, That the action of the Committee on Finance and the comptroller be ratified and confirmed.

The report was received and the preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of "The Fireman's Fund Association of the city of Jersey City," for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, as the annual donation from the mayor and common council of Jersey City to said fund for 1863.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Railroads to whom was referred March 1, 1864, the communication of John Post and others, complaining of the gates at the railroad crossing in Warren street, "as an increased obstruction to travel and injury to their property," &c., presented an adverse report thereon setting forth that in the opinion of the committee the gate referred to is necessary for the better protection of the lives of our citizens, &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Salaries, Offices and Elections presented a report naming the following as the places for holding the polls in the several wards of the city at the approaching charter election on the 12th of April, 1864.

First Ward—In the old Hook and Ladder House in Sussex street, between Washington and Warren streets.

Second Ward—In Carpenter Shop in Gregory street, between Van Vorst and York streets.

Third Ward—In house of Engine Company No. 5, in Mercer street, between Grove and Barrow streets.

Fourth Ward—In Carpenter Shop of Mr. Doyle in Erie street, between South Seventh and Eighth streets.

Fifth Ward—At 187 Pavonia avenue.

Sixth Ward—In house of Jackson Hose Company No. 6, South Eighth street.

The report was received.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the report was amended by inserting as the place for holding the polls in the Fourth ward, in house on the south-east corner of Grove and Morgan streets.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the report was further amended by inserting the following as the place for holding the polls in the Third ward:—
"In house of Passaic Hose Company No. 4, in Bright street, between Grove and Barrow streets"

The report as amended was adopted, and the places named appointed as the places for holding the polls.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received, and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of B French \$30 58; and Japhet Jardine \$16 08.
Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of Board of Commissioners of Assessments \$30;
and J B Haight \$10.

Referred to Committee on Assessments.

Of A G Mason \$150.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Of Japhet Jardine \$29 37 and \$27 27; and Charles Scott \$33 20 and \$30 02.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of A G Mason \$13 50.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationary.

Of Thomas Cox \$9 75; Japhet Jardine \$13 93; and Charles Scott \$23 26.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Gaddis and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the Committee on Enlistments for twenty thousand dollars, to be appropriated to the payment of bounties to volunteers.

On motion of Alderman McBride the following entitled ordinance, reported by the Committee on Streets on the 22d inst., was taken from the table for consideration, viz:

"An ordinance establishing the width of sidewalks on the south side of Railroad avenue, between Warren street and Prospect street."

The ordinance was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, Nafew, and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Kane, and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Ege it was

Resolved, That the resolution passed March 22, 1864, ordering a warrant drawn on the treasurer in favor of P. D. Vroom for \$14,738 14 State tax and \$20,627 79 county tax of 1863, paid by him as city treasurer to E. W. Kingsland, county collector, be rescinded.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Ege and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of P. D. Vroom for fourteen thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight dollars and fourteen cents State tax.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Ege:

Resolved, That the Committee on Laws and Ordinances be instructed to report to this board at its next regular meeting as to the legality of the payment of county tax made to the county collector by the city treasurer, and if said payment was not legal what steps are necessary to be taken to have the amount so paid refunded.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the resolution was amended by striking out the words "Committee on Laws and Ordinances" and inserting in their place the words "corporation attorney."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Alderman Terry:

Whereas, Under the provisions of an ordinance passed by the common council May 21st, 1861, a suitable building was erected for repairing and slushing the hose for the use of the fire department, and

Whereas, The said hose for a number of months were repaired and slushed in said building by the inmates of the Alms House to the entire satisfaction of the common council and fire department at a trifling expense to the city, and

Whereas, For several months last past the Committee on Fire and Water without any apparent cause or instructions from this board have caused the said hose to be repaired and slushed in the city of New York, thereby greatly increasing the expenses of the fire department without any seeming beneficial results, and

Whereas, This common council by resolution passed some time during the year 1863, instructed the Committee on Fire and Water to have the said hose repaired and slushed in the building erected for that purpose, and

Whereas, The Committee on Fire and Water, contrary to the instructions in said resolution, still persisted in carting the said hose to New York, and having them repaired and slushed in that city at a great and unnecessary expense, therefore the common council on the 1st day of March 1864, by resolution instructed the Committee on Fire and Water to report at the next regular meeting of the board the reason why they disobeyed the instructions of the common council, and

Whereas, The Committee on Fire and Water have refused or neglected to make any report in relation thereto, therefore be it

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to investigate the whole matter, and report the result of their investigations to this board at their earliest convenience

Alderman Nafew moved

"That the consideration of the preamble and resolution be postponed for one week"

The motion was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Aldermen Nafew, Edge, and Earle:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, McBride, and Nafew.

Nays—Aldermen Drake, Duff, Ege, and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, Kane, and Pangborn.

On motion of Alderman Hankins the Board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, April 5th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Alderman Ege, Hankins, and Terry were absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took their seats.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, and Gaddis.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 29, 1864, were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of Edmund Barry for remission of interest on assessment made in 1864, for regulating Warren street, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of John Moran for a license to keep a junk shop at No. 183 Warren street in the 2d ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Board of Commissioners of Assessments, \$30; Japhet Jardine, \$29.37 and \$27.27; A. G. Mason, \$150 and \$13.50; Charles Scott, \$33.20 and \$30.02; C. Van Brunt, \$6; and Patrick Warren \$10.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same, and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Nathaniel Ellis, \$40.92; S. D. Ellis, \$7.50; and Police Department, \$1,977 40.

OFFICERS' COMMUNICATIONS

The city clerk laid before the board two notices served upon him on the 2d and 5th instant by Jacob Weart, Esq., attorney, in the matter of the petition of Elizabeth H. Durant, for re-assessment of damages in the opening of Montgomery street, &c.

The notices were referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The city clerk presented a report of the approval, by his honor the mayor, March 31, 1864, of the ordinance passed March 29, 1864, establishing the width of sidewalks on the south side of Railroad avenue between Warren street and Prospect street.

The report was received and ordered filed.

A certificate of the comptroller of amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers and standing to the credit of the board of water commissioners on the books in his office was presented, received, and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the board of water commissioners for the sum of three thousand four hundred and thirteen dollars and ninety cents for amount collected by the city on account of water rents and sewers, and standing to the credit of said board, as appears by the certificate of the comptroller received this evening.

The petition of Patrick Dixon and others to have North First street, between Meadow street and Prospect street, paved with Belgian pavement, referred to the corporation attorney March 29, 1864, was reported back by that officer as not approved by him unless the petition is signed by every person affected by the improvement.

The report was received and with the petition ordered filed.

The report of the city treasurer for the month of March, 1864, showing a balance due the treas-

urer amounting to \$9,845, was presented, received, and ordered filed.

The following requisitions were presented from the Board of Education:

To the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City:

At a meeting of the Board of Education held at their rooms on Monday evening, February 1, 1864, it was resolved that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims:

Charles Scott, for repairs School No. 1, . . .	\$18 87
Barnes & Burr, for books, &c, School No. 1, 125 67	
do. do. do., No. 1, 9 08	
do. do. do. No. 2, 100 58	

\$235 33

Also, at a meeting held on Monday evening, April 4, 1864, it was resolved, that requisition be made upon the common council for the payment of the following claims:

G. F. Merkle, repairs furnaces School No. 3,	\$14 48
Augustus Isler, for additional compensation	30 00
Barnes & Burr, books, &c, School No. 3,	\$82 35
Barnes & Burr, books, &c, School No. 3,	106 38
Barnes & Burr, books, &c, School No. 1,	175 43
Express	1 30
	\$365 46

W. B. Williams, atty., for one quarter's rent colored school, to May 1, 20 00

Clerk of the board for quarter's salary to May 1st, 25 00

Board of Education for one quarter's salary teachers to May 1st, 4,300 16

P. D. VROOM,

Clerk of Board of Education.

Jersey City, April 5, 1864.

The requisitions were received, and on motion of Alderman Earle it was

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the claimants named in the requisitions received this evening from the board of education and for the amounts respectively named.

A certificate of I. B. Culver, city surveyor, of amount due Keeney & Halladay in seven per cent. bonds, on account of their contract for the improvement of Prospect street from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., was presented, received, and referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred this evening, the petition of Edmund Barry, for remission of interest on an assessment, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the collector of revenue is hereby instructed to receive from Edmund Barry four dollars and thirty-three cents for assessment and cost of advertising, in full payment of the assessment on his lot No. 90 Steuben street in block 50, for the regulation of Warren street from Montgomery street to Morgan street, confirmed August 15, 1864.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the comptroller be authorized to issue his requisition on the treasurer in favor of the holders of the bounty bonds for interest on the sums paid by them to the city treasurer from the date of said payments to April 1st, 1864, the date of the bonds issued under resolution passed March 8, 1864.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Fire and Water, who were requested by resolution passed March 1, 1864, to report why the hose used by the fire department has not been repaired and slushed at the alms house, &c., presented a report thereon, accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That all resolutions heretofore passed authorizing or requiring the Committee on Fire and Water to have the hose used by the fire department repaired and slushed at the alms house be rescinded for the reason that such repairing and slushing cannot be done at the alms house, and that the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to have hose slushed and repaired wherever they can have the same done at the most reasonable rates and in the most proper manner.

The report was received, and on motion of Alderman Earle the resolution was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Licenses presented a favorable report on the application referred to them March 22, 1864, of John O'Connor, for a junk shop license, the following resolution accompanying the report.

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 146 Newark avenue, in the Fourth ward of Jersey City be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to John O'Connor on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Ege, Gaddis, Hankins and Terry.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred March 22, 1864, the petition of John McKinstry, for permission to improve Montgomery street in front of his property, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending "that the prayer of the petitioner be granted by filling in Montgomery street in front of his lot to subgrade under the direction of the Committee on Streets."

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

(Alderman Hankins appeared and took his seat.)

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Of Drayton & Durant, \$170 20; Matthew Erwin, \$148 90; Hugh Reilly, \$49 40; and J. W. Schenck, \$126.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of W. C. Curren, \$103 25, and J. F. Richardson, \$29 53.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Peter Doyle, \$55 50.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Alderman Gafney presented a memorial of policy of insurance on the alms house, and offered the following resolution in relation thereto which was adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of the State Insurance Company for fifty-five dollars, being the amount of premium on policy of insurance on the Alms House property.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Hough and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Ferries and Wharves be and are hereby instructed to report at the next regular meeting of this board on the pe-

tition of P. H. Zabriskie, presented December 29, 1863, for permission to build a pier or dock from his lots Nos. 460, and 462, corner of Bergen and Putnam streets, to extend out to the easterly line of Jersey City.

The following resolution was offered by Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of D. E. Culver for \$6 65, expenses incurred in visiting the army of the Potomac at the request of the mayor to ascertain whether enlistments could be procured for the quota of Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Nafew the report and following resolution of the Committee on Fire and Water, presented March 22, 1864, in reference to the purchase of a steam fire engine, were taken from the table for consideration:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to make a contract with William H. Van Ness to build a steam fire engine for the corporation of Jersey City, for an amount not to exceed the sum of thirty-five hundred and seventy-five dollars, and to be built in accordance with his proposal reported at this meeting by the Committee on Fire and Water; provided that the parties who have submitted proposals to contribute the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars towards the payment for said steam fire engine shall execute agreements to pay the amount thereof, and the said William H. Van Ness shall buy for two hundred dollars the machine now in possession of Engine Company No. 1, and agree to receive in part payment a city bond for eight hundred and seventy-five dollars, payable in one year from its date, with interest at seven per cent; and it is hereby ordered that said steam fire engine, when completed, shall be placed in charge of Liberty Fire Engine Company No. 1.

(Alderman Terry and Ege appeared and took their seats.)

Alderman Earle moved to amend the resolution by substituting the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, In the opinion of many of our citizens engaged in workshops and manufactories in our city, there is much needed a steam fire engine, to be located in the easterly portion of the Second ward, where the greatest number of said manufactories are situated; therefore,

Resolved, That this common council will contract for a steam fire engine after the settlement of the claim against the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company for the destruction of Fire Engine No. 1, and also donations of further sums amounting in all to the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars.

Resolved, That said engine, when obtained, shall be located in the house formerly occupied by Liberty One.

The amendment was accepted by the committee.

The preamble and resolutions were then adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—Aldermen Decker, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gafney, Hough, Kane and Nafew.

Nays—President Clarke, and Aldermen Ege, Hankins, McBride, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake and Gaddis.

The following entitled ordinance was presented by Alderman Nafew, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed on slips for the use of the board, viz:

"A further supplement to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to authorize the Jersey City and Bergen Railroad Company to lay a single track of iron rails in Jersey City, approved December 20, 1859.'"

On motion of Alderman Gafney the Board then adjourned. GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Tuesday, April 12, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Earle, Hankins and Hough.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Less than a quorum being present, on motion of Aldermen Hankins the board adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, April 19th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Cox, Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew and Pangborn.

Alderman Broking, was absent at the calling of the roll, but subsequently appeared and took his seat.

Absent—Aldermen Terry.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the 5th and 12th inst. were read and approved.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Petition of Solomon Wescott for permission to redeem two lots belonging to him, sold to the city treasurer March, 28, 1861, for water rents of 1859, &c.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Petition of Catharine O'Shaughnessy for a license to keep a junk shop at the corner of South Seventh and Brunswick streets in the Sixth ward.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Policeman O'Donnell to be allowed his pay for time lost by reason of injuries received while in the discharge of his duty.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Petition of George Harriot and others for the abatement of a nuisance existing on a vacant lot upon the west side of Provost street, between North First and North Second streets, &c.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Petition of A. S. Jarvis for permission to lay a side track from the track of the Erie Railway on North Fourth street, across Provost street to North Fifth street, and along North Fifth street in front of his warehouse to Prospect street.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Petition of G. E. Winants and others, owners of property on Washington street, between Morgan street and Bay street, for permission to curb and gutter and flag the sidewalk and pave the carriage way at their own expense, under the supervision of the Committee on Streets, &c.

Referred to Committee on Streets, with power.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Joseph Champion, \$60; Thomas Cox, \$9 75; W C Curran, \$103 25; Drayton & Durant, \$170 20; Peter Doyle, \$55 50; Matthew Erwin, \$148 90; B French, \$30 58; J B Haight, \$10; Japhet Jardine, \$16 08 and \$13 93; Hugh Reilly, \$49 40; J G Richardson, \$29 53; J. W. Schanck, \$126; and Charles Scott, \$26 26.

The following claims and accounts were presented, received, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of Board of City Canvassers, \$12; Officers of Election Second ward, \$34; Officers of Election Third ward, \$34; Officers of Election Fourth ward, \$34; Officers of Election Sixth ward, \$34;

G C Doyle, \$23; Nathaniel Ellis, \$83 34; S D Ellis, \$12 75; Julia Good, \$6; H A Greene, \$6; J B Haight, \$100; J V Hardenbergh, \$100; P D Vroom, \$50; John Kane, \$59 75; G W Cassidy, \$166 68 and \$50; S C McLaughlin, \$125; R D McClelland, \$100; C C Martindale, \$58 33; T F Morris, \$50; J D Nolan, \$66 66; J H Lyon, \$327 61; Mrs C Lynch, \$6; J H Rommel, \$25; Mrs C Rafferty, \$6; Mrs P Bourke, \$6; and William Whitley, \$58 33.

OFFICERS COMMUNICATIONS.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of confirmation of assessment for the regulation of Provost street from Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Second street, including intersections, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The city clerk presented a report of publication of notice of places for holding the polls in the several wards of the city at the charter election April 12, 1864.

The report was received and ordered filed.

A certificate dated April 12, 1864, of Isaac B. Culver, city surveyor, of amount due Keeney & Halladay on account of their contract for improvement of Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Streets.

A certificate dated April 19, 1864, of Isaac B. Culver, city surveyor, of amount due Keeney & Halladay, on account of their contract for improvement of Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., was presented, received and referred to the Committee on Streets.

The corporation attorney, in answer to a resolution of the common council, presented an opinion as to the legality of the payment of county tax, &c.

The opinion was ordered filed.

The board of Fire Commissioners presented a report in reference to the case of George McLeod, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, setting forth that they altered his expulsion by the company to a resignation, &c.,

The report was received, and the action of the board of Fire Commissioners was approved and confirmed.

A communication was presented from the board of Fire Commissioners, asking confirmation of their action in changing the name of Jackson Hose Company, No. 6, to Jackson Engine Company, No. 6.

The communication was received, and the action of the Commissioners was approved and confirmed.

Communications were presented from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing returns of the following elections in and resignation from said department, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners:—Elections of James Harper, by Engine Company No. 4; David W. Taylor, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; A. N. Bird and T. A. L'Hommedieu, by Hook and Ladder Company No. 2; Constantine Nicholson and Simeon Cuff, by Hose Company No. 6.

Resignation of A. B. Coykendall from Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

The communications were received, and the action of the Commissioners of the Fire Department was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Assessments reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to give notice in the "American Standard," a newspaper published in this city, for at least ten days, that the report, map and schedule of the board of commissioners of assessments for the regulation of Provost street, from Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Second street, including intersec-

tions, sand, grading, paving, bridging, curb and gutter and flagging, &c., are on file in the city clerk's office, in the City Hall, on the corner of Newark avenue and Washington Place, and that the common council will meet at the common council chamber in said City Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of May next, at 8 o'clock, P. M., to receive and consider all objections thereto which may be presented in writing.

The report was received, and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented a report setting forth that on the 11th day of April, 1864, they destroyed certificates of value amounting to \$6,531 20, the same having been redeemed by the city treasurer.

The report was received, and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized and requested to issue under the corporate seal of the city, declarations of sale to purchasers at the corporation sale made April 9, 1864, for unpaid taxes, assessments, and water rents.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred this evening the petition of Solomon Wescott for permission to redeem lots belonging to him, sold for water rents of 1859, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted to Solomon Wescott to redeem lots 30 and 31 Newark avenue in block 47, assessed to John S. Young, from the sale made to the city treasurer March 28, 1861, for water rents of 1859, provided the redemption be made in the same manner and upon the same terms as though the time for redemption had not expired.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

(Alderman Cox obtained leave and retired.)

The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred December 15, 1863, the petition of William Armstrong to have refunded ten dollars of the restaurant license fee paid by him, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of William Armstrong for ten dollars, to refund the difference in restaurant license fee deposited by him October 21st, 1862, viz: thirty dollars, and the price of said license established by ordinance passed December 23, 1862, viz: twenty dollars.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Licenses presented a favorable report on the application referred to them on the 5th inst., of John Moran, for a junk shop license, the following resolution accompanying the report.

Resolved, That a license to keep a junk shop at No. 188 Warren street, in the Second ward of Jersey City be issued by the mayor and city clerk under the corporate seal of the city to John Moran on his paying the license fees required by the ordinance relating to such licenses.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gatney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, and Terry.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred

on the 5th inst. the certificate of I. B. Culver, City Surveyor, of amount due Keeney & Halladay, on account of their contract for improvement of Prospect street, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to issue, under the corporate seal of the city, to William Keeney and John R. Halladay, six seven per cent. bonds of the sum of five hundred dollars each, said bonds to be issued on account of their contract for the improvement of Prospect street, from the north line of Pavonia avenue to the north line of North Seventh street, and drawn payable in five years from their date, with interest semi-annually.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gatney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, and Hankins.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox and Terry.

The Committee on Streets presented a report submitting two sealed proposals received by them in answer to an advertisement for proposals for a contract to improve Greene street, from Steuben street to Harsimus street, &c., the report recommending that the proposals be opened and read.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

The proposals were opened, read, and found to be from John J. Hill and Keeney & Halladay.

The following resolution in relation thereto was offered by Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the two proposals, reported at this meeting by the Committee on Streets, opened and read, for the contract to improve Greene street, from the north side of Steuben street to the south side of Harsimus street, including intersections, be referred to the Committee on Streets, with authority to enter into a contract with the lowest of said bidders, provided the said committee deem it to the interests of the city so to do; and that on the requisition of said committee, the mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to execute, under the corporate seal of the city, and on its behalf, such contract as shall have been prepared by the corporation attorney, and duly executed by the party or parties to whom the same shall have been awarded, and after the said party or parties shall have given security, satisfactory to the Committee on Streets, for the faithful fulfillment of the said contract.

[Alderman Broking appeared and took his seat.]

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS.

Claims and accounts were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz:

Of T. E. Tilden, \$750 00, and James Smith, \$17 80.

Referred to Special Committee on Enlistments.

Of William Barry, \$16 00; G. E. Cutter, \$5 40; Patrick Farrell, \$19 44; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$54 08; R. B. Kashow, \$9 13; Joseph Pye, \$30 00; and Ward & McGown, \$153 63.

Referred to Committee on Alms.

Of T. C. and G. G. Brown, \$1 50; Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$152 00; J. W. Harrison, \$11 25; O'Connor & Pearson, \$11 71 and \$6 35; Frederick Porrett, \$47 07; A. B. Reynolds, \$42 52; J. W. Schanck, \$81 46; Charles Scott, \$21 55; C. Van Brunt, \$2 00; and William Whitley, \$3 75.

Referred to Committee on Fire and Water.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$3,182 82.

Referred to Committee on Lamps.

Of Jersey City & Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$143 48; S. M. Hoffman, \$287 01; R. B. Kashow, \$3 36; John Manning, \$5 22; A. B. Reynolds, \$1 91; and C. Van Brunt, \$3 00.

Referred to Committee on Police.

Of R. B. Kashow, \$30 17 and \$9 75.

Referred to Committee on Printing and Stationery.

Of Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Company, \$46 38; F. P. Gautier & Co., \$4 35; and A. B. Reynolds, \$2 13.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Of I B Culver \$20; A B Reynolds \$5 18.

Referred to Committee on Salaries, Offices, and Elections.

Of William Coleman \$13 47.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Of John Coar \$358 63; and James Flynn \$8 25.

Referred to Committee on Streets.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Resolutions were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman McBride and adopted:

Resolved, That the Street Committee be authorized to permit to be carted and deposited on Henderson street, between the south side of Grand street and the Morris canal, a few loads of earth in order to make that part of Henderson street passable for those desiring to use it the same having become worn down by travel.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted:

Resolved, That all committess are hereby requested to report at the next regular meeting upon all matters in their hands not heretofore disposed of, and at that time to return all papers upon which they do not intend to report so that the same may be laid upon the table as unfinished business, to be transferred to the new board.

By Alderman Duff and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Sewers be instructed to have the mouth of South Fifth street sewer repaired and put in proper order.

By Alderman Earle and adopted:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn in favor of Hon. John B. Romar, for the sum of forty-six dollars and fifteen cents, to reimburse him for expenses incurred in connection with raising our quota of soldiers, &c.

On motion of Alderman Earle the board proceeded to the appointment of a policeman to fill the vacancy caused by the decease of Policeman Callahan.

Aldermen Hankins and Decker were appointed and acted as tellers.

Three ballots were had which resulted as follows:

First balloting—

Peter Dolan received three votes.

Daniel McNamara received one vote.

Robert P. Dickson received nine votes.

Michael Callahan received one vote.

Martin Harney received one vote.

One blank was cast.

Second balloting—

Robert P. Dickson received nine votes.

Peter Dolan received three votes.

Patrick Harney received three votes.

Daniel McNamara received one vote.

Third balloting—

Robert P. Dickson received ten votes.

Peter Dolan received three votes.

Patrick Harney received two votes.

One blank was cast.

Whereupon, Robert P. Dickson, having received the requisite number of votes was declared appointed a policeman.

On motion of Alderman Drake the board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSELY, City Clerk.

Regular meeting at the common council chamber, Tuesday, April 26th, 1864, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, and Hankins. The minutes of the regular meeting of the 19th inst. were read and approved.

Alderman Hough being the only member of the Committee on Printing and Stationery present requested the appointment of a member of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Alderman Pangborn was appointed.

Alderman Gaddis being the only member of the Committee on Finance present requested the appointment of two members of the board to act with him on said committee for the evening.

Whereupon Aldermen Terry and Broking were appointed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ETC.

Petitions, communications, etc., were presented, received and disposed of as follows, viz.:

Official bond of Delos E. Culver, as water commissioner (with the endorsement thereon of the corporation attorney that the same is drawn in legal form)

On motion of Alderman Gaddis it was

Resolved, That the official bond of Delos E. Culver, as water commissioner, executed by him as principal, and by Dudley S. Gregory, Josiah H. Gautier and James McLaughlin as sureties, be accepted and approved, and that said bond be filed in the comptroller's office.

Official bond of Dennis Farrell as a constable, with James Lynch and John Kennedy as sureties. Referred to the corporation attorney.

Official bond of James C'Rourke as a constable, with Thomas Brophy and Michael O'Rourke as sureties.

Referred to the corporation attorney.

Petition of Peter Reed for remission of a fine for violating a city ordinance.

Referred to Committee on Laws and Ordinances.

Petition of J. D. Miller and others for the abatement of a nuisance, caused by stench issuing from the Chemical factory of Messrs. Berney & Co., situate at the southeast corner of South Seventh street and Prospect street, accompanied by a certificate of J. H. Vondy and others, physicians of Jersey City, setting forth that the nuisance complained of is highly detrimental to the public health, causing sickness, &c.

The following preamble and resolution in relation thereto were offered by Alderman Gafney: Whereas, Noxious and unhealthy odors have lately filled the atmosphere of the city emanating from the manufactory of A. Birney & Co., to the great discomfort and annoyance of our citizens, therefore be it

Resolved, That the same be declared a nuisance and that the street commissioner and Committee on Public Health proceed to have the nuisance proceeding from the manufactory of A. Birney & Co. abated at once.

The preamble and resolution were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, and Hankins.

Petition of David J. Geurin to have paid to him city bounty of two hundred dollars, belonging to his son, a recruit for the 33d Regiment N. J. V.

Laid upon the table.

AUDITING OF CLAIMS.

The following claims and accounts, referred to committees at former meetings of the board, were reported correct for the following named amounts respectively and said amounts were ordered paid, viz.:

Of William Barry \$16; T C & G G Brown \$1 50; John Coar \$358 63; William Coleman \$13 47; G E Cutter \$5; P Farrell \$19 44; James Flynn \$8 25; F P Gautier & Co. \$4 35; Jersey City and Hoboken Gas Light Co \$3,081 48, \$152 90, \$146 48 \$143 48, \$54 08, and \$46 38; J W Harrison \$11 25; S M Hoffman \$287 01; R B Kashow \$30 17, \$9 75, \$9 13 and \$3 36; John Manning \$5 22; O'Conner and Pearson \$11 71 and \$6 35; Frederick Porrett \$47 07; Joseph Pye \$30; A B Reynolds \$42 52, \$2 13 and \$1 91; J W Schanek \$81 46; Charles Scott \$21 55; James Smith \$17 80; T E Tilden \$500; C Van Brunt \$3 and \$2; Ward & McGown \$153 63; and William Whitley \$3 75.

The following claims and accounts were presented, referred to their appropriate committees, the rules were suspended to enable the board to receive the reports of the committees on the same and said claims were reported correct and ordered paid, viz.:

Of John Dermody \$17 75; Peter Doyle \$25 30; Officers of Election 5th ward \$34; Nathaniel Ellis \$13 50; S M Hoffman \$26 50; William Mitchell \$10; John D Nolan \$14 50; Terhune Brothers \$28 76, \$11 10 and \$5 80.

A claim of E Olcott, Jr., M D, for \$25 for surgical operation at station house, referred to the Committee on Police August 18, 1863, was returned by said committee.

The claim was referred to the Committee on Public Health and subsequently reported correct by said committee and ordered paid.

OFFICERS COMMUNICATIONS.

A certificate dated April 26, 1864, of Isaac B. Culver, city surveyor, of amount due Keeney & Halladay on account of their contract for improvement of Prospect street, from Pavonia avenue to North Seventh street, &c., was presented, received and laid upon the table.

A communication was presented from the city treasurer, stating that there has been deposited in the city treasury by Derby, Snow & Prentiss and others, the sum of one thousand dollars, to aid in the purchase of a steam fire engine, and by the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for payment of damages due for fire engine destroyed by a collision with their cars, and for contribution of said company towards the purchase of a steam fire engine, &c.

The communication was received, and referred to the Committee on Fire and Water.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, enclosing a return of election of Peter McGowan, by Engine Company No. 2, confirmed by the Fire Commissioners, was presented, received, and the action of Fire Commissioners was approved and confirmed.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Assessments, to whom was referred, Dec. 22, 1863, the petition of Dennis Farrell, to have refunded moneys paid for regulating his sidewalk on Newark avenue, &c., presented a report thereon, setting forth that when Mr. Farrell pays the assessment on his lot, for regulating Newark avenue, he will be entitled to receive ten dollars, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Ferries and Wharves presented reports, returning as unfinished business the following described papers, referred to them at the following named dates—

Oct. 13, 1863, report of Board of Commissioners

of Assessments in reference to Canal street, &c.
Oct. 13, 1863, petition of Henry Taylor and others, in reference to Canal street, &c.

Nov. 17, 1863, petition of Woolsey & Terry and others, for the construction of a bridge across the canal at the south end of Hudson street, &c.

Feb. 9, 1864, petition of H. J. Baker & Bro. and others, for construction of dock or wharf at foot of either Steuben, Morgan or Bay street.

The reports were received and the papers laid upon the table.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred October 20, 1863, the petition of I. B., J. W., D. W. and D. E. Culver to have sale of part of lot 61 in block 35 made for taxes of 1860 cancelled of record and their purchase money refunded, presented an adverse report thereon, setting forth that the committee are of opinion that the taxes have not been paid &c.

The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Finance presented reports on the returns of the collector of revenue, heretofore referred to them of unpaid assessments for sewers in South First street, receiving basin and culvert corner of Grove and Montgomery streets, and Bright street assessment, the reports setting forth that the property therein described was advertised and sold April 9, 1864.

The reports were received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred March 29, 1864, the petition of P. H. Daly to have cancelled sales of part of lot 23 Mercer street in block 71, made for taxes of 1859 and 1861, he having paid the taxes of said years on a lot adjoining, assessed to him, and which he supposed was his own, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the common council have no power in the premises and that Mr. Daly will have to adjust the matter with the purchaser, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Finance, who were authorized by resolution passed March 1, 1864, to negotiate loans to the city for the amount of moneys borrowed for bounty purposes, &c., presented a report thereon, setting forth that they advertised and received eighteen proposals for a loan of two hundred and sixty five thousand dollars, for a period of twenty years, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and accepted twelve of the proposals, the premium on the bids accepted amounting to seventeen hundred and eighty seven dollars and thirty cents, &c.

The report was received, and ordered filed.

The Committee on Fire and Water, to whom was referred this evening the communication from the city treasurer, reporting payment into the city treasury of the sum of twenty five hundred dollars, for contribution and payment of damages for destruction of fire engine, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to make a contract with William H. Van Ness, to build a steam fire engine for the Corporation of Jersey City, for an amount not to exceed the sum of thirty five hundred and seventy five dollars, and to be built in accordance with his proposal reported to the common council by said committee March 22, 1864; provided that said party shall buy the old machine used by Engine Co. No. 1, for two hundred dollars, and receive in full payment the sum of three thousand three hundred and seventy five dollars on completion and delivery of said steam fire engine and its acceptance by the city; to meet which payment the sum of eight hundred and seventy five dollars be borrowed from the Fireman's Fund Association of Jersey City, and a bond be issued therefor, payable in five years, with interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, (said association desiring to negotiate such loan,) and the sum of twenty five

hundred dollars which has been paid into the treasury by citizens and the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, as contributions and damages, be appropriated to this purpose; it being expressly understood that before making said contract that the Committee on Fire and Water be instructed to confer with the New Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, and also with Taylor and others, donors, above mentioned, and inform them that the common council accept the donations without any conditions, and obtain their consent to the same.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken.

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, and Nafew.

Nays—Aldermen Ege, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker and Hankins.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances to whom was referred this evening the petition of Peter Reed for remission of a fine imposed on him for violating a city ordinance presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the fine of twenty dollars imposed on Peter Reed, March 24, 1864, for violation of a city ordinance be, and is hereby remitted, and that a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer for the sum named in favor of said Peter Reed.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken on the call of Alderman Earle, Terry and Drake.

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Ege, Gaddis, Hough, Kane, and Pangborn.

Nays—Aldermen Earle, Edge, Gafney, McBride, Nafew and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, and Hankins.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred, February 16, 1864, the petition of Patrick Weldon for remission of a fine for violating a city ordinance, presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions—

Resolved, That the fine imposed upon Patrick Weldon, on the 12th day of December, 1863, for the sum of twenty dollars, for violating the ordinance relating to the sale of old junk, &c., &c., be and is hereby remitted.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn upon the City Treasurer for twenty dollars, in favor of Patrick Weldon, to reimburse him for the payment of above fine.

The report was received, and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred, Feb. 2, 1864, the communication from the Corporation Attorney, enclosing a copy of a proposed Legislative Act relative to County Alms House, presented a report thereon, setting forth that the bill was acted upon by the Legislature before any action could be taken by the Common Council.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Laws and Ordinances, to whom was referred, Nov. 17, 1863, the communication from Henry Manning, policeman, complaining of the conduct of the Recorder, &c., presented a report thereon, stating that the matter has been referred to the Courts, and asking to be discharged from its further consideration.

The report was received and the Committee discharged from the further consideration of the communication.

The Committee on Police presented a report no-

minating Daniel McNamara, Patrick Warren and Peter Dolan as chance policemen.

The report was received.

The nominations were confirmed by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—Aldermen Earle and Gaddis.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, and Hankins.

The Committee on Police returned as unfinished business the following described papers heretofore referred to them at the following named dates:

June 23, 1863, petition of Patrick Meehan and others for police protection for the Fifth ward.

December 29, 1863, petition of Daniel McNamara to be reinstated as a regular policeman.

January 12, 1864, to committee with power, petition of Hugh Carr for remission of fine for violating city ordinance and release from city prison.

February 16, 1864, communication from his honor the mayor announcing suspension from pay of Policeman Maxwell.

March 15, 1864, communication from his honor the mayor enclosing charges against Policeman Devine.

March 22, 1864, petition of Martin Ward for pay for police services during disturbance at Monitor yard.

April 19, 1864, petition of Policeman O'Donnell to be allowed pay while unable to do duty in consequence of injuries received, &c.

The papers were laid upon the table.

The Committee on Public Health to whom was referred April 19, 1864, the petition of George Harriot and others for the abatement of a nuisance &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That notice be served by the street commissioner on the owner or agent of the owner of lot three in block 182 city map, to fence the same within the space of fifteen days after service of a copy of such notice, which said notice shall further notify such owner or his or her agent that in case he or she refuse or neglect so to do within the time aforesaid, this common council do hereby order the same to be done under the direction of the Committee on Streets, and that the expense of such fencing in such case of neglect or refusal shall be assessed and collected in the same manner as of other improvements provided for by the fifty-second section of the charter or the supplements touching the same. And be it further

Resolved, That in case no owner or agent of the lot heretofore described can be found in Jersey City to be served with the notice aforesaid, the said common council do hereby order that a copy of this resolution be published in the corporation paper the American Standard for the space of ten days before said improvement shall be proceeded with.

The report was received.

The resolutions were adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke and Aldermen Broking, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Cox, Decker, and Hankins.

The Committee on Railroads to whom was referred on the 19th inst. the petition of A. S. Jarvis, for permission to lay a track of iron rails on North Fourth street, &c., presented a favorable report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission is hereby granted, during the pleasure of the Common Council, to A. S. Jarvis, to lay a track of iron rails from the track

of the Erie railway on North Fourth street across Provost street, and along North Fourth street from Provost to Prospect street; said streets whereon said track is laid to be kept in repair by and at the expense of the party for whom said track is laid; the work to be under the direction of the Committee on Streets.

The report was received and the resolution adopted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred Feb. 2, 1864, with power, the petition of A. S. Jackson, for a box sewer across the end of Wayne street, in the middle of Mill Creek, &c., presented a report thereon, returning the petition as unfinished business, &c.

The report was received, and ordered filed.

(Alderman Broking obtained leave, and retired.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred, April 19, 1864, the certificate dated April 12, 1864, of I. B. Culver, City Surveyor, of amount due Keeney & Halladay, on account of their contract for improvement of Prospect street, &c., presented a report thereon, recommending the adoption of the following resolution—

Resolved, That on the requisition of the Committee on Finance, the Mayor and city clerk are hereby authorized to issue, under the corporate seal of the city, to William Keeney and John R. Halladay, three seven per cent. bonds, of the sum of five hundred dollars each, said bonds to be issued on account of their contract for the improvement of Prospect street, from the north line of Pavia avenue to the north line of North Seventh street, and drawn payable in five years from their date, with interest semi-annually.

The report was received.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays having been ordered and taken:

Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nay—Alderman Earle.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker and Hankins.

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Yeas—President Clarke, and Aldermen Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Nays—None.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Decker and Hankins.

The Committee on Streets presented a report on the proposals presented February 23, 1864, of Keeney & Halladay, Daniel W. Culver and James Ford, for contract to improve South Eighth street, from Brunswick street to the westerly boundary of the city, setting forth that they awarded the contract to James Ford, he being the lowest bidder, and that contracts have been executed, &c.

The report was received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Streets returned as unfinished business the following described papers referred to said committee at the following named dates:

December 23, 1863, petition of A. S. Jarvis and others, for improvement of Provost street from North Third street to North 7th street, &c.

January 5, 1864, petition of William Caldwell and others, for improvement of sidewalks on Brunswick street, &c.

April 22, 1864, with power, petition of G. E. Winants and others, for permission to improve a portion of Washington street at their own expense.

The papers were laid upon the table.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Resolutions were presented, received, and disposed of as follows:

By Alderman Hough and adopted.

Resolved, That when this board adjourns it be to Monday evening, May 2, 1864, at 7½ o'clock for the purpose of approving the minutes only.

By Alderman Nafew and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Water be authorized to purchase a chandelier for No. 4 Engine house at a cost not to exceed forty dollars.

(Alderman Nafew obtained leave and retired.)

By Alderman Gafney.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of P. D. Vroom, for three hundred dollars in full for services rendered in paying the city bounty to recruits enlisted to fill the quota of Jersey City.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the resolution was amended by striking out, "three" and inserting "four hundred dollars," and as amended was adopted.

By Alderman Gafney and adopted,

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the city treasurer in favor of John H. McCutcheon for one

hundred and ten dollars in full for services rendered in recruiting men to fill the quota of Jersey City.

By Alderman Gaddis and unanimously adopted

Resolved, That the thanks of this board are hereby tendered to President William Clarke for the impartial and eminently satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of his position during his official term.

The president briefly made his acknowledgments for the compliment.

By Alderman Gaddis and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of this board are hereby tendered to our worthy city clerk, Mr. George W. Cassedy, for the faithful performance of his arduous duties, and for his uniform acts of courtesy to individual members of this common council.

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the thanks of this board are hereby tendered to Marshal Nathaniel Ellis, and his assistant Samuel D. Ellis, for the courteous manner in which they have discharged their duties during the past year.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the thanks of this board are hereby tendered to R. D. McClelland, Corporation Attorney, for his efficient services during the year just closing,

On motion of Alderman Earle, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to his Honor, the Mayor, and the retiring members of the Board for their courtesy and kindness during the time they have been associated with us.

On motion of Alderman Earle, the board then adjourned

GEO. W. CASSEDY, City Clerk.

Special meeting at the Common Council Chamber, Friday, April 29, 1864, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke, and Aldermen Decker, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, Nafew Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking, Cox, Drake, Duff, Gaddis and McBride.

The call of the meeting was read by the city clerk, and is as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
Jersey City, April 28, 1864. }

GEO. W. CASSEDDY, Esq, City Clerk:

Dear Sir:—You will please issue notices for a special meeting of the common council, to be held at their chamber on Friday evening, 29th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of taking appropriate action in reference to the death of our late Chief of Police Edward D. Reily.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following communication from his honor the mayor was presented and received:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, }
JERSEY CITY, April 29, 1864. }

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

It is with feelings of grief and regret that I felt impelled to convene you to night. Our late faithful and efficient Chief of Police Edward D. Reily expired on yesterday morning of a disease superinduced, it is believed, by the laborious discharge of the duties of his position.

It is eminently fit that some testimonial of his character should be made by the municipal corporation he has served so well—to which end I would respectfully call your attention.

Very respectfully,

J. B. ROMAR, Mayor.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Alderman Edge:

Whereas, In the infinitude of His power and wisdom it has pleased Almighty God to withdraw from the sphere of his usefulness and labors on this earth, and to transfer to a brighter and happier world, where there is neither sickness nor sorrow, Edward D. Reily, late Chief of the Police Department of Jersey City; and

Whereas, We have learned of his death with profound sorrow, and do most sincerely lament the loss which has thus been sustained by his family, his friends and the community at large, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Common Council of Jersey City do hereby express their deep and heartfelt sorrow at receiving the announcement of the death of Edward D. Reily, late Chief of Police, and formerly a member of the Common Council of Jersey City, and also of the Legislature of New Jersey.

Resolved, That Edward D. Reily, by his long and useful career as a citizen and public officer, and by his genial qualities, many virtues, integrity of character, and private and public worth, has endeared himself to the entire community in which he lived, and his loss to his friends and fellow citizens is one almost irreparable.

Resolved, That we truly and sincerely condole with the bereaved family of the lamented deceased, and we tender to them the earnest assurance of our sympathies in their sad affliction, reminding them that it becometh ALL to be resigned to the will of that Merciful Father, who is too wise to err and too good to be unkind, and that the strength to bear their affliction must come from Him who sent it, to whose Fatherly care we most devoutly commend them.

Resolved, That in testimony of the respect we bear to the memory of Edward D. Reily, as a good citizen, a faithful and able public officer, and a devoted friend, the Mayor and Common Council of Jersey City and the city officers (whose attendance is hereby invited and requested), will, in a body, attend the funeral of the lamented deceased.

Resolved, That a copy of the above preamble and resolutions be certified by the City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, and transmitted to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That a special committee of six members of this Common Council (one from each ward) be appointed, with full power to make the necessary and proper arrangements to carry into effect their views and wishes, in reference to the funeral, and their attendance at the same.

The preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, and Aldermen McBride, Decker, Ege, Nafew, Gaddis and Kane were appointed the committee.

Alderman Pangborn addressed the board in eulogy of the deceased Edward D. Reily.

On motion of Alderman Pangborn the board then adjourned.

GEO. W. CASSEDDY, City Clerk.

Adjourned regular meeting at the common council chamber, Monday, May 2, 1864, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Present—President Clarke and Aldermen Decker, Drake, Duff, Earle, Edge, Ege, Gaddis, Gafney, Hankins, Hough, Kane, McBride, Nafew, Pangborn and Terry.

Absent—Aldermen Broking and Cox.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 28, 1864, and of the special meeting of April 29, 1864, were read and approved.

On motion of Alderman Hough the board then adjourned *sine die*.

GEO. W. CASSEDDY, City Clerk.

Proceedings of the Board of City Canvassers in Jersey City.

In compliance with the provisions of the charter of Jersey City, the Board of City Canvassers met at the Common Council Chamber in the City Hall, on Friday, the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, at five o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the Charter election, held on Tuesday the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty four.

The Board was called to order by the City Clerk.

Present—Aldermen Clarke, Duff, Gaddis, Hough, McBride, Nafew and Terry and George W. Cassedy, City Clerk.

The following named Judges of Election from the several wards of the city, appeared and took their seats as members of the board, viz.:

Samuel M Chambers from the First ward.

William W Knight from the Second ward.

Frank Tyler from the Third ward.

John A Topping from the Fourth ward.

John B Perry from the Fifth ward.

Richard Cosgrove from the Sixth ward.

Absent—Aldermen Drake, Earle, Edge, Ege and Kane.

On motion of Alderman Nafew, Alderman William Clarke was appointed chairman of the board.

The chairman administered to each of the other members of the board, and to the city clerk, the oaths required of them by the city charter, and Mr. Cosgrove, administered to the chairman of the board the oath required of him by the city charter.

Whereupon the Judges of Election from all the wards excepting the Fifth ward produced the original statements which had been delivered to them respectively, and laid the same before the board; and the city clerk produced and laid before the board the return from the Fifth ward filed in his office. The original statements and the return were received and read.

The Board then proceeded to ascertain from the said original statements and the return the votes given at the charter election in Jersey City, on the twelfth instant, for the persons voted for thereat, for the several offices mentioned in such statements and return.

The board then made a written statement of the whole number of votes given for the Mayor of Jersey City as well as for the several other officers elected for said city, and the several wards thereof, together with the names of the persons for whom such votes were given, and the number of votes given for each as required by the provisions of the city charter.

The board then proceeded upon the above mentioned statement so made by them, to determine and declare and they did determine and declare what person or persons had received the highest number of votes for each of the offices mentioned in such statement; which statement and final declaration of the board of city canvassers was on motion of Alderman Gaddis ordered to be certified by the presiding officer and clerk, and to be filed in the city clerk's office, together with the original statements of the result of the charter election.

On motion of Alderman Nafew it was

Resolved, That the statement and final declaration made by this board of city canvassers of the result of the charter election held in Jersey City, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, be published in the corporation paper.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis it was

Resolved, That the chairman and clerk of this board be requested to make out the claim of such of its members as are entitled to compensation for

their services as city canvassers, and present the said claims to the common council of Jersey City for payment.

The minutes of the board were then read and on motion of Alderman Hough were approved.

On motion of Alderman Gaddis the board of city canvassers, then adjourned *sine die*.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,

Clerk of the Board of City Canvassers.

A Statement of the result of an election held in Jersey City, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, on Tuesday the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, to elect city and ward officers, made by the Board of City Canvassers for said city:

Whole number of votes cast in the first ward	
six hundred and seventeen	617
Whole number of votes cast in the second ward	
four hundred and forty-seven	447
Whole number of votes cast in the third ward	
six hundred and fifty-one	651
Whole number of votes cast in the fourth ward	
six hundred and forty	640
Whole number of votes cast in the fifth ward	
six hundred and nine	609
Whole number of votes cast in the sixth ward	
four hundred and sixty-three	463
Whole number of votes cast in the city	
three thousand four hundred and twenty-seven	3427
Whole number of ballots rejected in the first ward	
two	2
Whole number of ballots rejected in the second ward	
four	4
Whole number of ballots rejected in the third ward	
two	2
Whole number of ballots rejected in the fourth ward	
none	
Whole number of ballots rejected in the fifth ward	
two	2
Whole number of ballots rejected in the sixth ward	
none	
Whole number of ballots rejected in the city	
ten	10

FOR CITY OFFICERS.

For Mayor.

Orestes Cleveland received in the first ward	
three hundred and sixteen	316 votes
Orestes Cleveland received in the second ward	
two hundred and eighty-two	282 votes
Orestes Cleveland received in the third ward	
two hundred and twenty-five	225 votes
Orestes Cleveland received in the fourth ward	
three hundred and twenty-two	322 votes
Orestes Cleveland received in the fifth ward	
three hundred and thirty-six	336 votes
Orestes Cleveland received in the sixth ward	
three hundred and sixty-six	366 votes
Total number of votes received by Orestes Cleveland	
eighteen hundred and forty-seven	1847
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the first ward	
two hundred and ninety-one	291 votes
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the second ward	
one hundred and fifty-four	154 votes
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the third ward	
four hundred and eight	408 votes
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the fourth ward	
three hundred and eight	308 votes
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the fifth ward	
two hundred and fifty-three	253 votes
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the sixth ward	
ninety-one	91 votes
Total number of votes received by Cornelius Van Vorst	
fifteen hundred and five	1505
C Van Vorst received in the first ward	
three	3 votes
Cleveland received in the first ward	
one	1 vote

John B. Romar received in the first ward one	1 vote
C Van Vorst received in the second ward one	1 vote
Cornl Van Vorst received in the second ward one	1 vote
Dick Taylor received in the second ward one	1 vote
Mickey Mullone received in the second ward one	1 vote
Cornelius Van Vorst received in the third ward three	3 votes
Cor Van Vorst received in the third ward one	1 vote
Cornl Van Vorst received in the third ward one	1 vote
D S Manners received in the third ward one	1 vote
T Elliott received in the third ward one	1 vote
Mother Crammer received in the third ward one	1 vote
C W Mabie received in the third ward one	1 vote
James Montgomery jr received in the fifth ward one	1 vote
Van Vorst received in the sixth ward one	1 vote
Total number of scattering votes for mayor twenty	20

For School Superintendent.

Joseph McCoy received in the first ward five hundred and eighty one	581 votes
Joseph McCoy received in the second ward four hundred and twenty two	422 votes
Joseph McCoy received in the third ward five hundred and eighty seven	587 votes
Joseph McCoy received in the fourth ward five hundred and ninety four	594 votes
Joseph McCoy received in the fifth ward five hundred and forty two	542 votes
Joseph McCoy received in the sixth ward four hundred and fifty four	454 votes
Total number of votes received by Joseph McCoy three thousand one hundred and eighty	3180
A S Jewell received in the first ward one	1 vote
D S Gregory received in the first ward one	1 vote
Father Kelly received in the first ward one	1 vote
Abram S Jewell received in the second ward five	5 votes
D S Gregory received in the second ward one	1 vote
Dead Beat McCoy received in the second ward one	1 vote
Clam Jack received in the second ward one	1 vote
Father Kelly received in the second ward one	1 vote
Benj O Edge received in the second ward one	1 vote
Copper head received in the third ward two	2 votes
Joseph Copper received in the third ward one	1 vote
A S Jewell received in the third ward one	1 vote
A S Hatch received in the third ward one	1 vote
C H received in the third ward two	2 votes
Bloch received in the third ward one	1 vote
W T Woodruff received in the third ward one	1 vote
A W Van Winkle received in the fourth ward one	1 vote
Joseph E Culver received in the fifth ward one	1 vote

Alexander H Wallis received in the fifth ward one	1 vote
Abraham S Jewell received in the sixth ward one	1 vote
Total number of scattering votes for School Superintendent twenty six	26 votes

For Water Commissioner.

Delos E Culver received in the first ward three hundred and forty seven	347 votes
Delos E Culver received in the second ward two hundred and eighty six	286 votes
Delos E Culver received in the third ward two hundred and fifty one	251 votes
Delos E Culver received in the fourth ward three hundred and thirty seven	337 votes
Delos E Culver received in the fifth ward three hundred and ninety four	394 votes
Delos E Culver received in the sixth ward four hundred and sixteen	416 votes
Total number of votes received by Delos E Culver two thousand and thirty one	2031
Benjamin O Edge received in the first ward two hundred and sixty three	263 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the second ward one hundred and forty seven	147 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the third ward three hundred and eighty one	381 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the fourth ward two hundred and eighty three	283 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the fifth ward two hundred and three	203 votes
Benjamin O Edge received in the sixth ward forty four	44 votes
Total number of votes received by Benjamin O Edge one thousand three hundred and twenty one	1321
D E Culver received in the first ward two	2 votes
Culver received in the first ward one	1 vote
D E Culver received in the second ward two	2 votes
Ben O Edge received in the second ward one	1 vote
Delos Culver received in the second ward one	1 vote
Dollos Culver received in the second ward one	1 vote
Neddy Hope received in the second ward one	1 vote
Delos C Culver received in the third ward one	1 vote
Benj O Edge received in the third ward one	1 vote
D E Culver received in the third ward one	1 vote
D E Culver received in the third ward four	4 votes
A S Jackson received in the third ward one	1 vote
B Edge received in the fourth ward one	1 vote
John Brown received in the fifth ward one	1 vote
Total number of scattering votes for Water Commissioner nineteen	19

FOR WARD OFFICERS.

FIRST WARD.

For Alderman.

Thomas B Decker received three hundred and twenty four	324 votes
Alexander H Wallis received two hundred and eighty two	282 votes
A H Wallis received one	1 vote
Stephen Quaife received one	1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

Francis Stovekin received three hundred and eighteen	318 votes
John Griffith received two hundred and ninety three	293 votes

Thomas Gross received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Daniel S Sinclair received three hundred and twenty one 321 votes
John Lamb received two hundred and ninety two 292 votes
J Lamb received one 1 vote
I I Vanderbeek received one 1 vote

For Judges of Election.

Michael Carey received three hundred and six 306 votes
John Lynch received three hundred and seven 307 votes
William Wheelan received three hundred and seven 307 votes
Peter Harned received two hundred and ninety two 292 votes
Joseph Strober received two hundred and ninety four 294 votes
George E Boyd received two hundred and ninety four 294 votes
J Strober received one 1 vote
N H Corkendall received one 1 vote
John B Farrier received one 1 vote
Thomas Potter received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

Philip Nolan received three hundred and six 306 votes
James Henry received two hundred and ninety two 292 votes
Geo W Laforge received one 1 vote

For Constable.

John Fallon received three hundred and one 301 votes
Henry Manning received two hundred and ninety four 294 votes
I Stow Jr received one 1 vote

For Justice of the Peace.

Phineas C Dummer received two hundred and ninety one 291 votes
Wm C Morris received one 1 vote

SECOND WARD.

For Alderman.

Thomas Gafney received two hundred and eighty three 283 votes
Matthew Erwin received one hundred and fifty 150 votes
Sam McLaughlin received one 1 vote
Same Jack received one 1 vote
Daniel Fielding received one 1 vote
John W Pangborn received one 1 vote
William W Knight received one 1 vote
Tom Peanuts received one 1 vote
Key of the Second Ward received one 1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

James Lynch received two hundred and seventy six 276 votes
Alexander Wilson received one hundred and fifty seven 157 votes
Jas Lynch received one 1 vote
Pat Coyle received one 1 vote
Charles H O'Neil received one 1 vote
A Wilson received one 1 vote
Sylvester Keeney received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Patrick Coyle received two hundred and eighty seven 287 votes
William W Lee received one hundred and forty four 144 votes
Chief Engineer received one 1 vote
Mike Mullone received one 1 vote
John Brill received one 1 vote
Hiram D Crane received one 1 vote

For Judges of Election.

Matthew Monks received two hundred and ninety 290 votes
Dennis Hogan received two hundred and eighty five 285 votes
William W Knight received two hundred and eighty six 286 votes
Benjamin Haines received one hundred and forty seven 147 votes
John H Garretson received one hundred and forty seven 147 votes
Stephen S Sparks received one hundred and forty six 146 votes
William W Wright received four 4 votes
William W Ward received one 1 vote
Charles H Raymond received one 1 vote
Geo S Riker received one 1 vote
M Monks received one 1 vote
W W Knight received one 1 vote
Mickey Free received one 1 vote
Michael Brady received one 1 vote
William Allen received one 1 vote
John A Topping received one 1 vote
Thomas McCormick received one 1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

John H McCutcheon received two hundred and eighty five 285 votes
Adrain B Reynolds received one hundred and forty six 146 votes
James A Robertson, received one 1 vote
Billy Gallagher received one 1 vote
Salmon W Hoyt received one 1 vote
Or any other Cub received one 1 vote

For Constable.

Dennis Farrell received two hundred and seventy six 276 votes
Jacob Soney received one hundred and forty nine 149 votes
Harry Clay Smith received one 1 vote
Knife received one 1 vote
Laughy Jack received one 1 vote
Dennis Powell received two 2 votes
Walter Van Derzee received one 1 vote
J Soney received one 1 vote
Belongs to the Ring received one 1 vote
Stephen W Treadwell received one 1 vote
Peter Lynch received one 1 vote

For Justice of the Peace.

David Bedford received one 1 vote

THIRD WARD.

For Alderman.

Stephen Quaife received three hundred and eighty seven 387 votes
David S Manners received two hundred and forty seven 247 votes
D S Manners received seven 7 votes
S Quaife received one 1 vote
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J W Dodd received one 1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

Thomas Gross received three hundred and sixty seven 367 votes
Peter H Hoyt received two hundred and sixty eight 268 votes
W M Shaw received one 1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Isaac I Vanderbeek received three hundred and ninety nine 399 votes
John Shields received two hundred and forty 240 votes
G L Brooks received one 1 vote

For Judges of Election.

Jacob W Wilson received two hundred and forty seven	247 votes
Joseph Cooper received two hundred and forty	240 votes
Henry Gray received two hundred and thirty eight	238 votes
Nelson H Coykendall received four hundred and four	404 votes
James B Farrier received three hundred and ninety nine	399 votes
Thomas Potter received three hundred and eighty nine	389 votes
N H Coykendall received one	1 vote
James H Farrier received one	1 vote
H Gray received one	1 vote
W P Conway received one	1 vote
Jacob Wilson received one	1 vote
N W Coykendall received two	2 votes
C Feathers received one	1 vote
F Lewis received one	1 vote
Father Kelly received one	1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

George W Laforge received three hundred and ninety seven	397 votes
Richard Garrick received two hundred and thirty two	232 votes
G W Laforge received one	1 vote
George Laforge received two	2 votes
Geore Laforge received one	1 vote
S M Chambers received one	1 vote

For Constable.

John T Springsteen received three hundred and ninety nine	399 votes
Martin Delany received two hundred and thirty two	232 votes
William W Knight received one	1 vote
Gordon Dickson received one	1 vote
John T Spring received one	1 vote
Thomas Springsteen received two	2 votes

For Justice of the Peace.

William C Morris received three hundred and eighty nine	389 votes
Smith Mead received two hundred and forty	240 votes
William C Morns received one	1 vote
George Dixon received one	1 vote

FOURTH WARD.

For Alderman.

Daniel Fielding received three hundred and ten	310 votes
John W Pangborn received three hundred and twelve	312 votes
D Fielding received one	1 vote
J W Pangborn received one	1 vote
Francis Robertson received one	1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

Charles H O'Neill received three hundred and twenty seven	327 votes
Sylvester Keeney received three hundred and four	304 votes
Bernard Hughes received one	1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

John Brill received three hundred and twenty seven	327 votes
Hiram D Crane received two hundred and ninety six	296 votes

For Judges of Election.

William Allen received three hundred and twenty	320 votes
John A Topping received three hundred and twenty one	321 votes

Thomas McCormick received three hundred and twenty	320 votes
William W Ward received two hundred and ninety five	295 votes
Charles H Raymond received two hundred and ninety seven	297 votes
George S Riker received two hundred and ninety four	294 votes
Charles H Ray received eight	8 votes

For Ward Clerk.

Salmon W Hoyt received three hundred and thirty	330 votes
James A Robertson received two hundred and ninety one	291 votes
J A Robertsen received six	6 votes
George Wallis received one	1 vote

For Constable.

Walter Van Derzee received three hundred and forty two	342 votes
Stephen W Treadwell received two hundred and seventy two	272 votes
W Vanderzee received one	1 vote
Francis H Benson received one	1 vote
David Bedford received one	1 vote
John J Bouton received one	1 vote
Mr Tredwell received one	1 vote
James Gopsill received one	1 vote
Francis Benson received one	1 vote

For Justice of the Peace.

David Bedford received three hundred and twenty seven	327 votes
John J Bouton received two hundred and eighty four	284 votes
D Bedford received one	1 vote
W A Phillips received nine	9 votes
Richard Grant received one	1 vote

FIFTH WARD.

For Alderman.

Henry Finck received three hundred and seventeen	317 votes
Francis Robinson received two hundred and seventy five	275 votes
H Finck received one	1 vote
John Lowery received three	3 votes
Daniel Fielding received one	1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

John Lowery received three hundred and fifty seven	357 votes
James Gopsill received two hundred and thirty five	235 votes
Henry Finck received two	2 votes
Thomas Aldridge received one	1 vote
Sylvester Keeney received one	1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

William B Stelle received three hundred and eighty	380 votes
Bernard Hughes received two hundred and sixteen	216 votes
Hiram D Crane received one	1 vote

For Judges of Election.

Cornelius T. Frazier received three hundred and seventy four	374 votes
John Purcell received three hundred and sixty	360 votes
Patrick Mehan received three hundred and fifty nine	359 votes
Benjamin Shackelton received two hundred and twenty	220 votes
John D Carscallen received two hundred and nineteen	219 votes
Edward G Burgess received two hundred and twenty four	224 votes
Hugh McLoughlin received one	1 vote
Union League received one	1 vote

Henry Finck received one	1 vote
Abraham D Brower received one	1 vote
W W Ward received one	1 vote
Charles H Ray received one	1 vote
George S Riker received one	1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

William D Hart received three hundred and seventy seven	377 votes
George W Wallis received two hundred and twenty one	221 votes
J A Robertson received one	1 vote

For Constable.

Patrick Warren received three hundred and sixty seven	367 votes
James Anderson received two hundred and twenty two	222 votes
Obed B Dimmick received one	1 vote
Union League received one	1 vote
Stephen H Treadwell received one	1 vote

For Justice of the Peace.

Richard Grant received two hundred and nineteen	219 votes
John J Bouten received one	1 vote

SIXTH WARD.

For Alderman.

William Startup received two hundred and twelve	212 votes
John Lennon received two hundred and fifty three	253 votes
Francis Robinson received one	1 vote
Daniel Fielding received one	1 vote
—— Startup received one	1 vote

For Chosen Freeholder.

John McGuigan received four hundred and forty nine	449 votes
James Gopsill received one	1 vote
Thomas Coyle received one	1 vote
Charles H O'Neil received one	1 vote

For Commissioner of Appeals.

Richard Cosgrove received four hundred and forty two	442 votes
Paddy Gibney received one	1 vote
John Brill received one	1 vote
Paddy McGibney received one	1 vote

For Judges of Election.

John English received four hundred and fifty two	452 votes
James Nissen received four hundred and fifty one	451 votes
Thomas Coyle received four hundred and fifty two	452 votes
Edward Burgess received one	1 vote
Benjamin Shackelton received one	1 vote
Cornelius Kane received one	1 vote
John Kane received one	1 vote
Michael Kane received one	1 vote
William Allen received one	1 vote
John A Topping received one	1 vote
Thomas McCormick received one	1 vote

For Ward Clerk.

Ferdinand Lewis received four hundred and fifty two	452 votes
George Wallace received one	1 vote
John Hewey received one	1 vote
Salmon W Hoyt received one	1 vote

For Constable.

James Rourke received four hundred and forty nine	449 votes
James Anderson received one	1 vote
Matthew Van Derzee received one	1 vote

For Justice of the Peace.

Philip Eckel received four hundred and forty three	443 votes
Mary Kean the Plasterer received one	1 vote
David Bedford received one	1 vote

We do certify that that the foregoing is a true, full and correct statement of the election above mentioned, as the same is produced and laid before the Board of City Canvassers according to law; and that the same exhibits the numbers of voters on the poll books of the wards respectively, and of the ballots rejected; the whole number of the names of the voters in the poll books of the several wards; the name of each person for whom any vote or votes were given; the number of votes given for each person in each ward, and the whole number of votes given for each person for each office designated for him as they appear by the statements so produced and laid before the board.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this fifteenth day of April, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

WM. CLARKE,

Chairman of Board of City Canvassers.

GEO. W. CASSEDY,

Clerk of the Board of City Canvassers.

A Statement.

Of the determination of the Board of City Canvassers relative to an election held in Jersey City, in the county of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, on the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, for the election of a Mayor, a School Superintendent, and a Water Commissioner for the said city; one Alderman, one Chosen Freeholder, one Commissioner of Appeals, three Judges of Election, one Ward Clerk, and one Constable for each of the several wards in the said city.

The said board do determin and declare that at the said election, the following named persons having received the highest number of votes for each of the offices above mentioned were duly elected to the following named offices:

CITY OFFICERS:

Mayor—Orestes Cleveland.

School Superintendent—Joseph McCoy.

Water Commissioner—Delos E Culver.

First Ward Officers.

Alderman—Thomas B Decker.

Chosen Freeholder—Francis Stovekin.

Commissioner of Appeals—Daniel S Sinclair.

Judges of Election—Michael Carey, John Lynch and William Wheelan.

Ward Clerk—Philip Nolan.

Constable—John Fallon.

Second Ward Officers.

Alderman—Thomas Gafney.

Chosen Freeholder—James Lynch.

Commissioner of Appeals—Patrick Coyle.

Judges of Election—Matthew Monks, Dennis Hogan and William W Knight.

Ward Clerk—John H McCutcheon.

Constable—Dennis Farrell.

Third Ward Officers.

Alderman—Stephen Quaife.

Chosen Freeholder—Thomas Gross.

Commissioner of Appeals—Isaac I Vanderbeek.

Judges of Election—Nelson H Coykendall, James B Farrier and Thomas Potter.

Ward Clerk—George W Laforge.

Constable—John T Springsteen.

Fourth Ward Officers.

Alderman—John W Pangborn.

Chosen Freeholder—Charles H O'Neill.

Commissioner of Appeals—John Brill.

Judges of Election—William Allen, John A
Topping and Thomas McCormick.
Ward Clerk—Salmon W Hoyt.
Constable—Walter Van Derzee.

Fifth Ward Officers.

Alderman—Henry Finck.
Chosen Freeholder—John Lowery.
Commissioner of Appeals—William B Stelle.
Judges of Election—Cornelius T Frazier, John
Purcell and Patrick Mehan.
Ward Clerk—William D Hart.
Constable—Patrick Warren.

Sixth Ward Officers.

Alderman—John Lennon.
Chosen Freeholder—John McGuigan.

Commissioner of Appeals—Richard Cosgrove.
Judges of Election—John English, James Nis-
sen and Thomas Coyle.
Ward Clerk—Ferdinand Lewis.
Constable—James Rourke.

We do certify that the foregoing is a true, full
and correct statement of the dermination of the
Board of City Canvassers therein mentioned.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our
hands this fifteenth day of April, in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty
four.

WM. CLARKE,
Chairman of the Board of City Canvassers
GEO. W. CASSEDY,
Clerk of the Board of City Canvassers.

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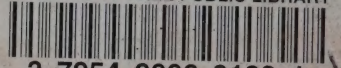
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